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ANOTHER PIRACY JAPANESE STEAMER THE VICTIM BIAS BAY THE VENUE

Has British Navy Scored A Success?

VESSEL REGAINS FREEDOM

Although confirmation and details are lacking at the moment, there is good reason for assuming that the Royal Navy has scored another success against the marauders of the South China Sea.

It is definitely known that the Japanese steamer "Deli Maru" was attacked by pirates this morning in or at the entrance to Bias Bay. Less than an hour afterwards, the news came through that she had "been freed by pirates," leading to the impression that they had not left in the usual manner, with loot and possibly hostages.

Further unofficial information is that a British warship was in the vicinity when the pirates attempted to bring their unlawful prize towards the coast and, it is believed, the pirates were caused to leave precipitately.

Another factor which causes optimism is that the "Deli Maru" has stated emphatically that she does not require assistance.

NAVAL COMMUNIQUE

The "Deli Maru," flying the Japanese flag and belonging to the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, comes regularly to Hong Kong. Her run is between Canton, Hong Kong, Swatow, Amoy and Takao in Formosa. She was coming back from the three last-named ports to Hong Kong and Canton. A sister ship is now at the O.S.K. wharf on the Central Quay beyond the new Government building.

The following communique was issued by the Royal Navy:—

"Message received this morning from 'Deli Maru' that she was attacked by pirates but message has been received that she has been freed by pirates."

At 8.40 a.m. the Captain of the vessel wireless:—

"Pirated in Lat. 22.40 N., Long. 115 E." (The position is that of the approach to Bias Bay, the landing place for pirates on the east coast of Kwangtung province).

At 9.20 a.m. further news was sent from the ship thus:—

"Set free from pirates. Position Lat. 22.40 N., Long. 115 E."

A later message confirmed the good news that the ship was free from pirates and added that no assistance was required, as "the 'Deli Maru' was proceeding to Hong Kong and would arrive at about 4 p.m. to-day."

After Swatow
The "Deli Maru," as usual, was carrying a number of passengers, most of whom would have embarked either at Amoy or Swatow. She left Swatow yesterday and, in the ordinary course of events, ought to have arrived at nine o'clock this morning.

It is the difference in time which creates a suspicion that the pirates seized control shortly after the ship cleared from Swatow and had remained in charge until this morning. In this event they might have,

JAPANESE DUTIES BRITISH VESSELS TO BE EXEMPTED

NEW ORDINANCE

Tokyo, Yesterday.
It is stated officially that, starting from tomorrow, vessels registered in Great Britain will be exempted both from shipping duties and business profits duties, while those registered in the United States and Denmark will be exempted from business profits duties.

The departmental ordinance to be issued on September 21, exempts vessels registered in Britain, and British shipping companies' agents, from business profits duties and income tax respectively, and those registered in the United States and Denmark from business profits duties. The ordinance is retrospective from May 12, 1928.—Reuter.

during the early hours of to-day, run the gauntlet of the British destroyer patrol at the entrance to Bias Bay, so that when the first wireless was sent the danger was over and the damage done.

Chinese Gunboat Patrol

Other than the communique issued, no indication can be obtained from the Royal Navy, firstly because of the policy of reticence on matters of piracy; and, secondly, because what had occurred after the "Deli Maru" communicated has not been reported yet.

So far as can be established, however, there was no casualty.

Pirates at Bias Bay have been comparatively rare of late, and the Kwangtung Government has added to the preventive campaign by maintaining a patrol of Chinese gunboats, and a wireless station with military guard.

LOCAL REQUESTS ESTATE OF HERO OF "SAN NAM HOI"

CAPTAIN W. H. SPARKE

Captain William Hugh Sparke, master mariner, who achieved fame and official recognition by the heroic of his command, the Chinese river steamer "San Nam Hoi," against pirates, left \$14,400 in Hong Kong.

He died, it will be recalled, at the Matilda Hospital, on February 12 this year. His will was made on August 2, 1926, and witnessed by two brother officers, Mr. J. W. Williams (then Chief Engineer) and Mr. H. Conway (Chief Officer). Mr. Conway, as is widely known, was killed in the epic in which Captain Sparke took part.

Deceased bequeathed all his property to a lady by name of Elizabeth Osborn, known as Mrs. Elizabeth Sparke. She has an address in London, according to the will. In the event of her predeceasing testator, the property was to have gone to Captain Sparke's two sisters, living in Welwyn Garden City, Herts, England.

Mr. H. J. Love
Mr. Hestor Jack Love, wireless telegraphist, who died at the age of 29 in the Peak Hospital on July 30, whose address was given as No. 527, The Peak, has left \$8,800 in the Colony.

The sole executor is Mr. F. W. James, superintendent engineer of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire. Deceased left most of his property to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Love, The Beach Hotel, Deal.

His will was made only a week before his death and was witnessed by Miss Ellen Johnson (matron) and Miss A. F. Randle (nurse) of the Peak Hospital.

To a local friend, Mr. W. L. E. Miller, deceased bequeathed his wireless equipment and some other articles and also stipulated that he could have his Austin 7 motor-car for \$600. A request was made in the will that no flowers be used at his funeral.

Mr. A. R. Troup
Mr. Alexander Reith Troup, public accountant, who died in Sydney, Australia, on November 30, 1921, left \$1,400 in Hong Kong.

PHOTOMATON CO.

UNAFFECTED BY STOCK EXCHANGE SENSATION
BUSINESS AS USUAL

London, Yesterday.

The Board of the British Photomaton Trading Company state that the position of the Company is entirely unaffected by the recent events at the London Stock Exchange. The Company is proceeding with the development of its business in the United Kingdom. The Board is quite satisfied with its position.

The Board of the Far Eastern Photomaton Corporation Limited, state that the corporation's European accountants have been instructed to report the effect of the recent Stock Exchange movements to shareholders at the earliest possible moment. Meanwhile, development of the Company's business is proceeding in the Far East in a perfectly normal manner.—Reuter.

Slump in Shares

London, Yesterday.

A sensation on the Stock Exchange, caused yesterday by the slump in shares of five companies belonging to the Hatry financial group, was followed up this morning when after hours of dealings, the Stock Exchange General Purposes Committee took the unusual step of suspending dealings in these shares and certain connected securities.

It is estimated that there has been a fall of over £5,000,000 in "paper" value since the beginning of the week.

One of the companies conducts business in quick strip photography. The shares were 13s. 5d. a week ago, and are now 1/6d. Another company manufactures automatic machines.—Reuter.

SIR CHARLES ADDIS

CHAIRMAN OF HONG KONG BANK'S NEW TASK

INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENT

London, Yesterday.

The Governor of the Bank of England, Sir Montague Norman, has appointed Sir Charles Addis and Mr. W. T. Layton as the British members of the international committee of the Bank of International Settlements.—Reuter.

Sir Charles (Stewart) Addis, K.C.M.G., is a well-known personality in Hong Kong and the Far East. A Director of the Peninsula and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, the British India Co., the Eastern Telegraph Co., the Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Co., he is also Chairman of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, London Committee, and a director of the British and Chinese Corporation and Chinese Central Railways Ltd.)

RENT DISTRESS

WATCHMEN AND THEIR DAILY PAY

AMENDING THE SCHEDULES

A Bill intitled an Ordinance to amend further the Distress for Rent Ordinance, 1883, is published in the "Government Gazette."

The objects and reasons state:—
The First Schedule to the Distress for Rent Ordinance, 1883, Ordinance No. 1 of 1883, provides that where watchmen are kept in charge of property distrained 50 cents per day must be paid per man by the landlord. At the present day it is impossible to secure suitable watchmen for less than 60 cents a day. There is no power in the Ordinance to amend the Schedules. This Ordinance inserts in the principal Ordinance a section giving the Governor in Council power to alter either of the Schedules in any manner whatsoever.

DANGEROUS DRUGS

SUPERVISION OF POSTAL CONSIGNMENTS

BRITISH PROPOSAL

Geneva, Yesterday.

The Fifth Committee has concluded its discussion on the traffic of opium and other dangerous drugs and has adopted the British proposal for supervision of postal consignments suspected to contain drugs.—Reuter.

Two blue-eyed babies, found abandoned in a perambulator outside a public-house at Stepney, E., are still unclaimed.

OFFICERS OF POLICE FORCE

A NEW OFFICE

PROBATIONARY PERIOD FOR RECRUITS

FREE PASSAGES

A Bill to amend the Police Force Ordinance in published in the "Government Gazette."

It is stated under Objects and Reasons:—

1. The titles of the superior officers of the Police Force are about to be altered, and a new office of deputy to the chief officer of the force is about to be created. This will involve various amendments of the Police Force Ordinance, 1900, Ordinance No. 11 of 1900. The new titles will be Inspector General of Police (the new post), and Divisional Superintendents. Sections 2, 3, 4, 9 and 13 of this Ordinance introduce the new titles into various sections of the principal Ordinance.

2. Section 5 gives statutory recognition to the practice of having a probationary period for police recruits and provides that such probationary officers may be discharged during their probationary period if they prove unsatisfactory.

3. Section 6 of this Ordinance gives the Governor power to grant the completion of the ordinary free passages in special cases before statutory period of service.

Pensions

4. Section 17 of the principal Ordinance gives the Governor in Council power to regulate the grant-

OCCASIONAL RAIN

The Royal Observatory reported this morning:

The anticyclone has passed into the Pacific, leaving weak anticyclonic areas over North China and South Manchuria. The typhoon in the China Seas appeared to have taken a North-westerly track yesterday evening, and it has probably entered into the coast in about Lat. 38° N.

The typhoon of the Loo-choos is approaching South Japan on the N.N.E. track. Local Forecast: East winds, moderate, cloudy; occasional rain.

The American Consulate-General has received the following typhoon warning from the Manila Observatory:—

Sept. 20, 6.55 p.m.—Typhoon in about 110 degrees Long. E. and 16 degrees Lat. N., moving W.

Typhoon in about 126 degrees Long. E. and 27 degrees Lat. N., moving N.

ing of pensions to members of the Police Force.

By virtue of section 3 of the principal Ordinance the term "Police Force" includes, *inter alios*, the superior officers of the force. The pensions of these officers are in fact regulated by the general Pension Ordinance, and not by any police pension regulations. The same remark applies to the civilian staff of the Police Force. In their case section 17A of the principal Ordinance expressly provides that they shall come under the general Pension Ordinance. There is no such provision with regard to the superior officers of the force and there is no regulation on the subject of their pensions. It seems desirable to deal with their case in the same way as that of the civilian staff. Accordingly section 7 of this Ordinance includes in section 17A of the principal Ordinance reference to the superior officers of the force.

Regulations v. Orders

5. Section 8 of this Ordinance repeals the three sections of the principal Ordinance which deal with the making of regulations and departmental orders, and substitutes one simplified section. The existing sections distinguish, though not very clearly, between two kinds of rules, i.e. regulations and departmental orders. Regulations are made by the Captain Superintendent of Police with the approval of the Governor in Council. Departmental orders are made by the Captain Superintendent of Police without reference to the Governor but sub-

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LEAGUE COVENANT

BROUGHT IN HARMONY WITH KELLOGG PACT

PROTECTIVE TARIFF

Geneva, Yesterday.

The First Committee proposed to appoint a committee of 12 members to meet in the first quarter of 1930, and report on the proposed amendments to the League Covenant and bring it into harmony with the Kellogg Pact, in accordance with the resolution of the British and Peruvian delegations.

The Second Committee, dealing with the economic situation, passed a resolution declaring that the States should first agree not to increase the present protective tariffs until two or three years, or impose new protective duties or new impediments to trade. It is also proposing the holding of a preliminary conference for the purpose of facilitating economic relations by all practical means.—Reuter.

ject to the Governor's subsequent disapproval. Regulations must be published in the "Gazette" in order to be valid. Departmental orders need not be published in the "Gazette." The line of demarcation between regulations and departmental orders is not clear. Questions may therefore arise at any time as to the strict legal validity of such regulations and departmental orders. The proposed new section will give the entire power of making regulations to the Inspector General of Police and all regulations will be of the one class. These regulations will not require to be published in the "Gazette," but will appear in Police General Orders. As required by the new section, these regulations will be circulated to the members of the Executive Council, and the Governor in Council will have power to rescind such regulations or to amend them in any manner. It seems unnecessary to publish such regulations in the "Gazette" as very few of them affect the public. None of them will impose any obligation on the public. If any member of the public ever has occasion to inquire into the existence of any particular regulation he will always be able to make inquiry from the superior officers of the police force.

Question of Bail

6. Section 10 of this Ordinance substitutes a new sub-section for sub-section (2) of section 26 of the principal Ordinance. That sub-section is open to certain minor objections. It deals with the question of taking bail by officers in charge of police stations. In the first place, on a strict reading, it enables the police officer to take bail only "if no magistrate is in attendance at his office." In the second place, it provides that the recognizance must require the attendance of the accused at "the earliest time he is next after when a magistrate will be in attendance at his office." In the third place, the sub-section contains no provision to the effect that a prisoner who is not bailed out must be brought before a magistrate as soon as practicable. This last provision does occur in section 27 of the Ordinance. It is convenient to place the provision dealing with bail in the section dealing with bail. The new sub-section meets the above objections. It is practically a copy of section 25 of the Criminal Justice Act, 1925, 15 and 16 Geo. 5, c. 86. It provides that if a prisoner is brought to a police station, and the officer in charge considers that the inquiry into the case cannot be completed forthwith, that officer may discharge the prisoner upon his entering into a recognizance to appear at such police station and at such time as is named in the recognizance.

Warrants of Arrest

8. Section 12 of this Ordinance inserts in the principal Ordinance a new section 28 which is based on section 44 of the Criminal Justice Act, 1925. It provides that a warrant of arrest may be lawfully executed by any officer of police notwithstanding that the warrant is not in his possession at the time. This provision is not necessary in Hong Kong in the case of offences against Hong Kong law, because the police have a general power of arrest without warrant, but it may be useful in such cases as extradition and deportation.

9. Section 14 of this Ordinance is the usual section providing for the general substitution of the Inspector General of Police for the Captain Superintendent of Police in all enactments, contracts and other documents where such substitution is necessary in order to give effect thereto.

IS THAT SO?

Thoughts Terse, Perverse—and Worse

Now the Government knows just what the Unofficials think about it.

Ice House Street is looking for a Trade Commission-er.

Local boxers are getting ready for "Nelson" Day.

A fire in a godown will not go down well when it's not insured.

"Sundries" stalls are those with edibles dried in the sun.

Mr. Sun Fo may shun the foe when he comes to Canton.

There is no doubt these Chinese athletes are a fast lot.

Weather note: If it does not rain the week end will be fine.

R.N.V.R.—Revenue Now Very Rotten, so don't waste money.

In Home paper: "Queen Sheba Leem, gifted Royal palmist, psychic medium, still in Hut in Casino Restaurant Grounds."—As is Daniel in his Den.

Japanese politicians are always thinking of their "Diet."

The Unofficial talkers in the Council are certainly not all Barrenes.

In the Central British School: Mongolia is inhabited chiefly by mongrels.

If you pass a motor truck on the Castle Peak Road with projecting beams you may not beam long.

It makes one reel to think how few in the Colony can't dance a Highland reel.

It gives one rather a sinking feeling to study the Sinking Fund figures.

The more centuries local cricketers get during the new cricket season the younger they will feel.

With the padre married the Union Church in Kowloon is more united than ever.

Spring poets are still springing things on us—ill seasoned in the Autumn.

"Lost, a grey African Parrot, with a red tail."—Communism among the Polly-ticians?

Observatory note: Hong Kong can afford to take things rather cool after the end of this month.

As likin goes against the grain the Chinese Timber Guild has asked for its abolition.

The China Native Goods Salvation Association ought to have well-stocked Booths.

This week's special "news" item: The engines at the Central Fire Station are oiled every day.

A "Rose" wedding was described during the week.—Even the bridegroom rose to the occasion.

Thieves think nothing of robbing even an Angel at the Theatre Royal.

Mr. Weyman refereed two water polo matches the other evening in his usual acceptable way, mas.

Nobody seems to have got moon-struck as the result of devouring Mooncakes.

At the Criminal Sessions a long sentence can be pronounced in one very tiny sentence.

"Experienced Storekeeper, various trades, requires situation."—Now we know how the tin-tacks get into the flour!

Burns came into his own during the Legislative Council meeting on the burning subject of the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve.

The Government seems to be fencing with the question of a necessary fence round the Children's Playground in Chatham Road.

It's no compliment to the Navy to say that they need a complement in the shape of a Volunteer Reserve.

Why should the Sanitary Board talk of an anti-fly propaganda when no flycatcher has been provided for in the Estimates?

"Civil" Servant (to Press man), "You can't pump me: I know you reporter birds."—Mere. babbling Brookes?

A water spout is said to have been seen on Friday—the day after the verbal spout at the Legislative Council meeting.

Bandits have demanded the sum of \$3,000 for the release of a Chinese General's mother.—Now, if it had been his mother-in-law!

Two "best men" were present at a recent wedding.—And still the bride did not marry the better of the two best men.

A Ferry from which a girl jumped overboard was reported to be proceeding at full speed.—Where were the Traffic Police?

"Gardener, jobbing, by hour or job.—F. W. Price.—A jobless Price, or a priceless Job?"

Sporting announcement: "Phle-bite" will not run in the Nottinghamshire Handicap.—An official searching?

A Chinese was arrested the other day wearing five coats under his own.—Preparing for the cold snap?

The ball which the Governor "kicked off" at the charity soccer match last Saturday is doing as well as expected.

After many tries the K.C.C. spider caught the K.B.G.C. fly in their Web on the bowling green last Saturday.

The "Big Four" (?) to meet Shanghai in the lawn bowls contest looked small fry on Wednesday night after being beaten by the improbable four.

The paucity of radio enthusiasts in Kowloon flats is explained by the fact that they get all the listening in they want owing to the thinness of the walls and ceilings.

Now that the Unofficials have had their officious say how about inviting the Civil Service itself to criticise both the Budget and the Budget speeches?

After being fined \$60 for failing to provide adequate weights to cover stones during blasting operations, it may be presumed that the contractors are still blasting.

A scribe calculates that the number of rice cakes consumed on the Chinese festival would reach from Hong Kong to Tootin Bec.—Toots, toots!

"Retired Bank Accountant offers boarding house proprietors, tradesmen, etc., occasional help with books during season."—Banking on his own "account"!

A coolie has been caught carrying a revolver and 16 rounds of ammunition hidden in two bundles of grass.—He will now be a grass widower for two years.

In the cricket match between the Officials and the Unofficials on the ground of the former on Thursday afternoon the Government was run out in the first bawl.

As a news item we read that China is to build a new man-of-war in Japan.—It would be really "news" to be told she intended to have a new woman-of-war.

Attention has been called to the undesirable state of the Mental Hospital (see Laushtic Asylum)—Comfort is absolutely necessary when working out cross word puzzles.

The Police Commissioner in Canton asserts that dancing is morally wrong, and so stopped a dance party.—When you lead the Police a fine dance it may be morally wrong, of course.

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a small-pox epidemic the St. John
Ambulance Brigade has been re-
quested to make the necessary pre-
liminary arrangements for conduct-
ing a vaccination campaign as in
previous years.

Officers in charge of divisions
are kindly requested
(a) to revise the list of vacci-
nators who were gazetted last year.
(b) to have their men instructed
in the work of vaccination by their
Divisional Surgeons. (This applies
to new divisions and all new mem-
bers.)
(c) to return revised and certified
lists at the earliest possible date.
Certificates of competency must
be signed by Divisional Surgeons
and Chinese characters entered
opposite the names.

DRAWING

CENTRAL BRITISH SCHOOL
PASSES

At the Royal Drawing Society
Examinations held in June last, the
following candidates from Central
British School were successful.

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If a very estimable person with
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normal human being and becomes
a prima donna.—Dr. George Dyson.

If you want simply to get "fun,"
a hard heart and a good digestion
will help you more than all the
cardinal virtues.—Dean Inge.

Lost in Arctic



C. A. "Duke" Schiller, famous Cana-
dian war ace and first man to reach
the crew of the trans-Atlantic plane
"Bremen" when it made a forced land-
ing in Greenland last year, is reported
lost somewhere in the Arctic Circle
with three companions, his mechanic,
Jack Hamble, Tom Creighton and an
unnamed prospector. Cracking planes
sent out to rescue them have found
no trace of flyers or plane.

THE FASCIST SYSTEM

LABOUR CONDITIONS IN
ITALY

SPIRIT OF THE MASSES

According to Mr. Begnotti, the
Provincial Trade Union Commis-
sioner, Italy's industrial employers
are showing an obstinate antipathy
to Employment Exchanges. Their
attitude was due, he suggested, to
ignorance of the difficulty and im-
portance of the work of the Ex-
changes under the Fascist system.
To allow employers to engage
labour as they pleased simply on
condition that the workers must be
registered with the Employment
Exchanges, but without reference
to the Exchanges, deprived the Ex-
changes, he declared, of their
essential function. The employers
also opposed, Mr. Begnotti said, the
existence of workers' representa-
tives in factories, notwithstanding
the differences there were between
these representatives—who were
emphatically desired by the workers
—and the old works committees.
That opposition would have to be
overcome, he declared, because the
workers needed assistance and pro-
tection in connection with their
work. The spirit of the masses ap-
peared to be excellent, judging
from their outward discipline; but
it was necessary to inquire whether
the discipline was organic or
whether it was merely a state of
passive subordination and fear.

Addressing the Congress of Fas-
cist Trade Unions, at which Mr.
Begnotti made these observations,
Mr. Bettai, Under Secretary of
State to the Ministry of Corpora-
tions, gave it as his conviction that
the trade union system would not
be able to display full maturity and
efficiency until the humblest of
trade union members was free to
express all his views without fear
of disciplinary penalties. "The
trade unions must not be regarded,"
he went on to say, "as disciplinary
machines or as automatic devices
for the distribution of collective
agreements like pieces of chocolate
in return for a ten-line contribution.
They must be living organisms
within which living men discuss
their legitimate and honest in-
terests. Some people imagine that
the whole of this enormous and
powerful organism has been built
up by us for the continuous man-
ufacture of idyllic collaboration;
others imagine that by doing away
with strikes we have attained our
objective. My opinion is that the
absence of strikes and agitation
among the workers must be com-
pensated by a lively and unceasing
sentiment of equity, honesty and
justice. I do not think that equity
and justice can be manufactured by
legislation. I am not scandalised
by the idea that there are some
employers who do not observe the
provisions of collective contracts. I
would wish not merely that such
employers should be met by verbal
protest and by legal proceedings,
but that any workers who connive
at the breach of contract should be
branded with infamy."

"Fascist workers," Mr. Bettai
continued, "sometimes feel them-
selves surrounded in the works by
an atmosphere of bitter and indig-
nant hostility and coldness on the
part of other workers who feel
homesick for the old organisations
and the old leaders. But while it
is true that the spirit of class war-
fare has not disappeared from
among the workers, a similar spirit
survives among the employers also.
Both sides have still some distance
to go before they can meet, but
their meeting cannot be brought
about by the ordinary system of
arbitration of disputes between the
classes. People are too much in-
clined to think that industrial dis-
putes are settled by dividing things
equally between workers and em-
ployers. This is clearly not the
Fascist method, as was shown on
the occasion of the minimum wage
dispute in the Province of Turin.
The Ministry was confronted by a
wide discrepancy between the rival
claims, and ordered an enquiry,
which came to conclusions con-
siderably closer to the demands of
the workers, than to those of the
employers. This indicates that,
while we are not partisans, we are
not neutral either. We are not out-
side and above the dispute; we
enter into it to find out the truth.
We cannot lead you to the hypo-
thetical victories that you have
been promised, but we shall help
you to consolidate your position in
the political and economic life of
the Italian nation."

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9.30 p.m.

Gems from "The New Moon"
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(Kahn-Donaldson).

Victor Light Opera Company.
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10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

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of Art, because they have been
taught to write what they have to
say and then leave off.—Mr. P. B.
Showan.

Must Face Trial



John M. Heath, wealthy Detroit
engineer, will be tried in a Federal
court on charges of manslaughter
growing out of the death of Richard
J. Sandlands, prohibition agent, whose
body was found in the Detroit river fol-
lowing a struggle aboard the Heath
yacht.

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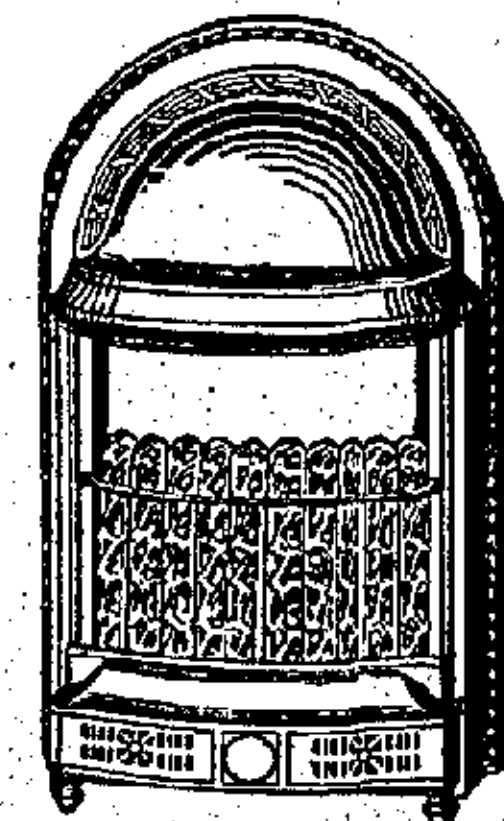
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A Chinese merchant from Singa-
pore was on his way to Penang
carrying \$60,000 worth of diamonds
and jewellery in a small handbag.
After passing Ipoh the merchant
happened to doze off. On waking
up at Nibong Tebal he found the
bag gone.

There followed a mild commotion
in the compartment and later a fel-
low passenger on going into the
lavatory found the bag there but
the contents had gone.

A full report was made on the
arrival of the train at Bukit Mer-
tajam where an investigation was
held.

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CHINA'S TRADE

FUTURE OF COASTAL AND INLAND SHIPPING

HER POSITION TO-DAY

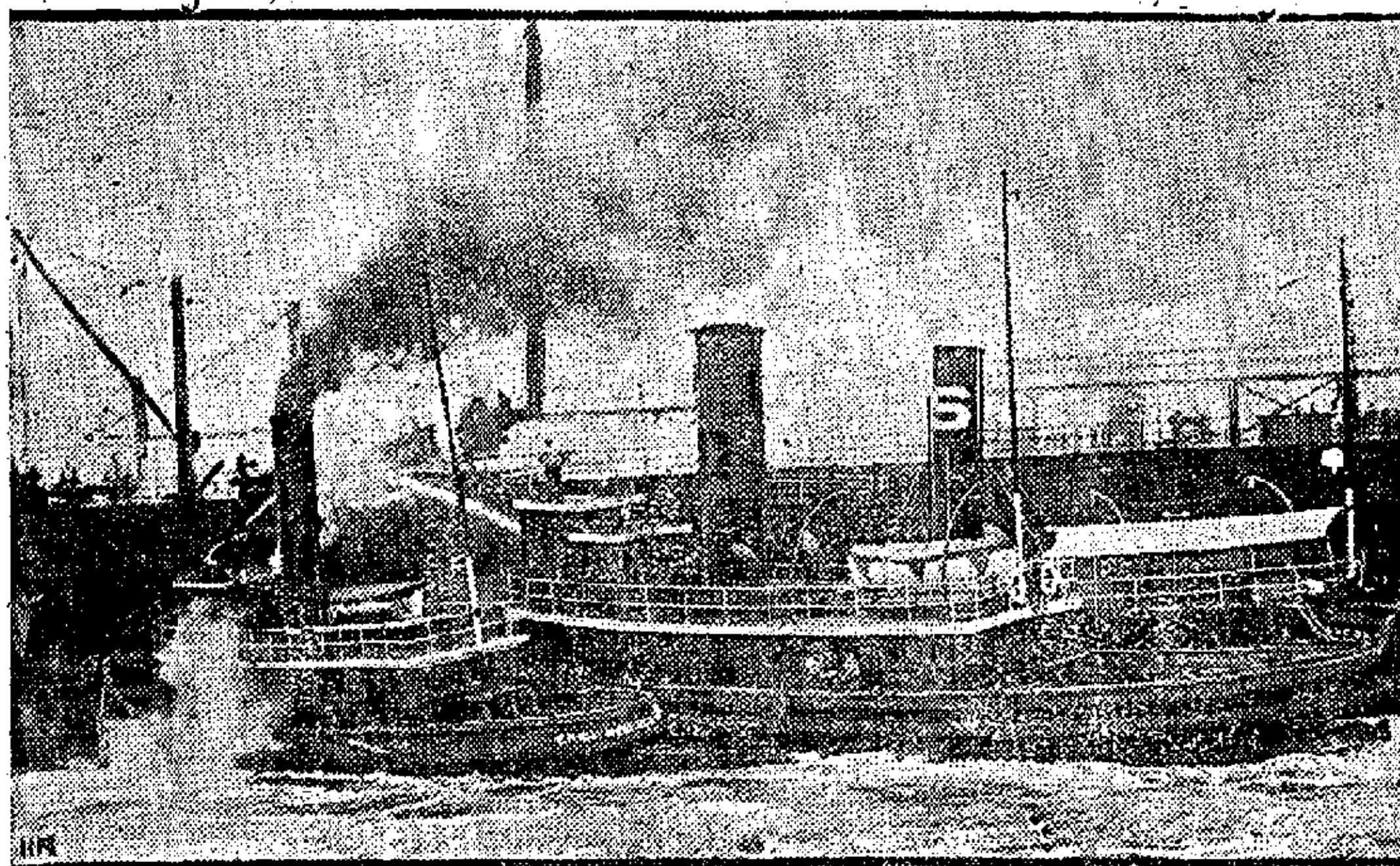
Should the Nanking Government legislate against foreign firms engaged in the coastal and inland water transport service it would mean untold loss and suffering for the merchants and people of China and would seriously retard the growth of the country. I mentioned this in a brief note some time ago and stand in danger of repeating myself. Moreover, the trouble is that when a foreigner writes on these matters, the average Chinese reader is immediately prejudiced on the grounds that the writer is endeavouring to influence public opinion so as to "save his job." But if repetition or summarising will add one jot to the consideration of "things-as-they-are" from the viewpoint of China's trade and welfare, then there lies extension. This question of coastwise and inland water transport is of vital importance. It must be considered from all angles. Touching on elements for a moment—There are two great results of commerce. One is to increase the variety of commodities at any parti-

transport service? America and Canada have paid dearly for their experience in nationalised shipping. Is there any reason to suppose that China could do better?

There are five main disadvantages to the nationalisation of any service:

- (1) Private management at its best renders better service to the community than public management at its best.
- (2) Private management is more alert to increase the use by furnishing better service than is public management.
- (3) The public official is decidedly inclined towards arrogance and indifference.
- (4) The incentive to economical administration is lacking since deficits in operation are so easily made up from the general funds of the Government drawn from taxation.
- (5) The machinery of the Government is slow and public management is not so quick as private management in responding to the need for new facilities which must often be provided in anticipation of the growth of trade.

Moreover—be it noted—these disadvantages are present even in a thoroughly well-organised service. It is not my purpose to comment on



One man was killed, eleven seriously injured and a general panic precipitated when the Standard Oil tanker, William E. Rockefeller, blew up at her dock in Bayonne, N. J. The

terrible force of the explosion twisted the steel plates of the ship into a mass of wreckage and the fireboats experienced constant danger as they fought a stubborn blaze in her hull.

cular place. The other is to equalise the advantages for obtaining any particular commodity in different places between which commerce is carried on. In any particular place, region or country both are dependent upon the transport facilities available.

Touching on fundamentals for a moment. What happens in certain Provinces in China to-day when the crops are destroyed through drought or floods or other unfortunate circumstances? Thousands of Chinese people starve to death—famine and disease sweep through the Province. This in these days of advanced civilisation. This in spite of (I almost said because of) China's exclusiveness and "superiority." About eighty per cent. of the fault lies in lack of transport facilities. It is vitally important to the lives of millions of Chinese people that the foreign trade of China is, in other countries, largely dependent on the co-ordination of its transport facilities.

A merchant in Hunan sending goods to foreign countries wants those goods sent to the point of ocean shipment as quickly and efficiently as possible. A merchant in England, Germany or America sending his goods to Szechuen wants a reasonable assurance that his goods won't be held up in Shanghai for an indefinite period. Money locked up in goods accumulates interest charges whether the transaction be financed by the buyer, the seller or a bank. In the ultimate and the consumer pays. Along the whole coastline of China there are only one or two ports where large ocean-going steamers pick up and discharge cargoes. If these large expensive-operate ships were compelled to call at several small ports to discharge a few hundred tons of cargo for interior points the consumer would not have to pay the undoubtedly increased charge. As it is the consumer gets the benefit of a low freight rate brought about by a concentration of ocean traffic at main points, broken up and distributed by short-haul, inexpensive-to-operate steamers. The whole thing seems to be a matter of adequacy and efficiency of service versus national aspirations and not a little prejudice. But when, through a mistaken idea of capacity and ability, national aspirations stand in grave danger of interfering with the welfare of the people, it is surely no insult to draw attention to it.

There is a proposal afoot to amalgamate the Chinese owned steamships into one company to be controlled and operated by the Government and this company or interest is to have the sole right of transporting goods in coastal and inland waters. First let it be said and understood right away that the present number of Chinese-owned steamships could not possibly cope with Chinese coastal and inland water traffic. However, supposing for the moment that the Nanking Government could raise the necessary capital to replace the enormous amount of foreign tonnage engaged in this trade. Would it work successfully? Would the Chinese people gain by a nationalisation of the coastwise and inland water

the essential requirements for the successful organisation of a merchant marine. But let us pause—it is difficult not to draw emphasis to the fact that personnel—particularly floating personnel—is a vital factor in fleet operation. You cannot organise personnel to efficiency. Personnel must be trained. Entirely apart from the age questions of organisation and operation of a merchant marine is the policy the Government would adopt towards the individual trader. In looking for freight space, in tracing delayed shipment, in the settlement of claims, the trader would be left to the tender mercies of Government officials. An outbreak of hostilities, internal or external, would disrupt the entire trade of the country. Ships would be sent here and there, loaded with troops and munitions and our individual trader would go quietly and unobtrusively, but most decidedly, out of business. With a network of railways and motor roads over the country to compete for the traffic, the Chinese shipowner could say to his Government: "There are adequate transport facilities in China. Now go ahead and promote private enterprise."

Whenever foreign opinion attempts to criticise China's high-handed policies and much-too-premature proposals the cry is "The foreigners are against us. They insult us. They want to occupy our land and drive us out of existence. We must stand firm." There is no "exploitation" about the foreign interests in China. Neither is there any philanthropy. China has not yet begun to realise the fact that society in the entity is a huge organism. The constituent parts are interdependent. The backwardness of one nation retards the progress of another. An injury to one nation has a detrimental effect on another. If every man in China and Russia earned a wage based on a good standard of living there would probably be no unemployment in England or America. The fundamental of this theory were quickly recognised shortly after the end of the Great War. Germany's amazement at the Versailles Conference was not so much because of the actual sum quoted or the vindictiveness that prompted a desire hopelessly to crush her, but rather at the hopeless ignorance of the elementary principles of economics and commerce displayed by the statesmen who drafted the terms of the Treaty. If national aspirations are ahead of the development of trade and commerce, then national aspirations mark time. Else wherein lies their value? If national prejudices are opposed to national interests then the world-wide law of progress says national prejudices must go. Deprived of foreign shipping facilities, forced to bank and insurance facilities, China's domestic and foreign trade would come practically to a standstill. The time is not yet ripe for her to dispense with this assistance. —E. Kermode in "Shipping and Engineering."

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Mr. H. E. Woodstock, late chief officer, C.N. Co., is deceased.

Mr. M. Byrne, second officer, "Shansi," has gone second officer, "Soochow."

Mr. S. D. Johnson, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Shansi."

Captain A. N. Taylor, of the "Shansi," has gone master, "Teian."

Captain D. D. Richards, of the "Teian," has gone master, "Shansi."

Mr. W. A. Orwin, chief officer, "Chenan," has gone chief officer, "Ngankin."

Mr. M. W. W. McNeill, chief engineer officer, "Sunning," has gone chief engineer officer, "Kintang."

Mr. W. J. Belcher, chief engineer officer, "Kintang," has gone chief engineer officer, "Hupch."

Mr. J. Cromby, chief engineer officer, "Hupch," is on reserve.

Captain D. Christie, from Home leave, has gone extra master, "Siang-wo."

Mr. H. R. Cooper has been appointed extra second officer, "Lee-sang."

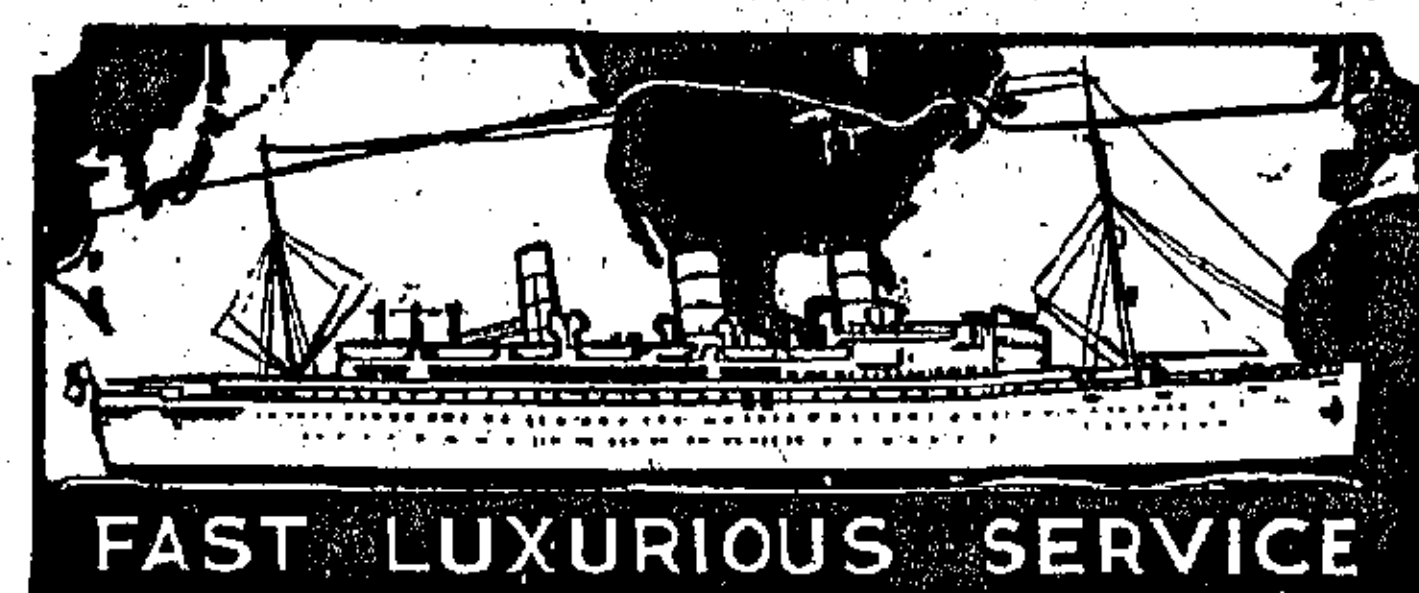
Mr. J. H. Hodgkiss, extra chief officer, "Hein Peking," has gone extra chief officer, "Kintang."

Captain L. Jenkins, C.N. Co., is on Home leave.

Captain J. K. Clark, C.N. Co., is on Home leave.

Captain J. B. Bruce, C.N. Co., is on special Home leave.

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*MIRZAPUR	6,715	16th Oct.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
*KALYAN	9,144	25th Oct.	Marseilles, London, Hull, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
*NAGPORE	5,283	2nd Nov.	Marseilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
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TAKADA	6,949	27th Oct.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
SHIRALA	7,841	8th Nov.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
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TALAMBA	3,013	1st Oct.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
DELTA	3,007	7th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKADA	6,949	7th Oct.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
ARAFURA	6,000	8th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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RAWALPINDI	16,619	29th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*LAHORE	5,304	11th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.

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The disturbing effect of the holi-
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from Clyde yards has now quite dis-
appeared and the industry has once
more settled down to a period of
steady production. Several launches
have already taken place on the river
since the resumption of work, and
more vessels, which are approaching
the launching stage, will shortly be
put into the water.

That work in the yards is better
than it was in the earlier part of
the year is evident from the fact
that in the quarter which ended with
June last the new tonnage commensu-
ated was about 68,000 tons higher than
in the March quarter. Although the
flow of new orders has been some-
what irregular during recent months,
a prominent Clyde shipbuilder stated
the other day that there are still
a number of inquiries in the market,
and in view of the statements by
shipbuilders that there are distinct
signs of improvement in the freight
for cargo vessels it is possible that
the next three months will turn out
better than has been anticipated.

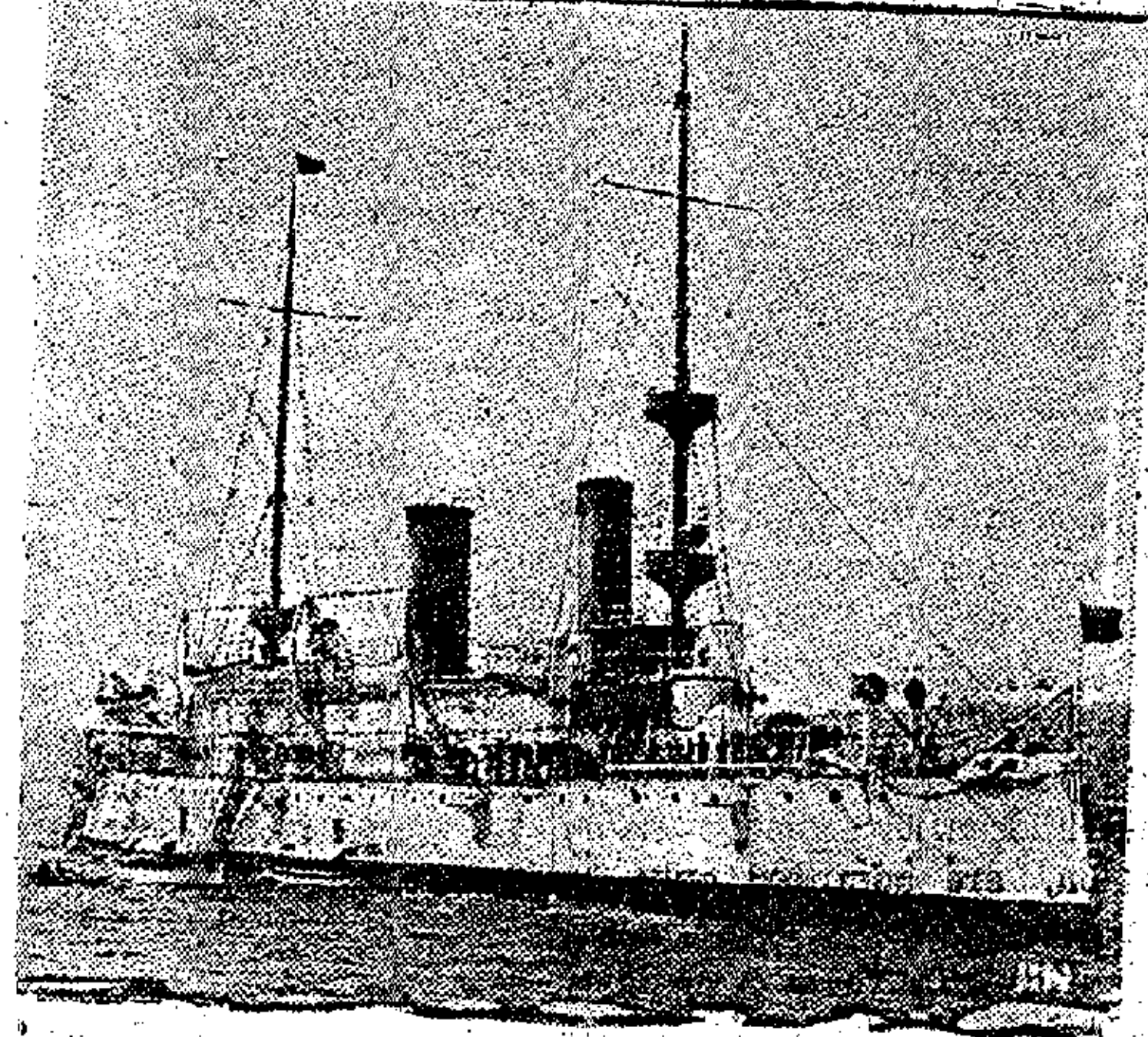
The most important new order an-
nounced during the week is that
which Messrs. Scott's Company of
Greenock have received from Messrs.
Alfred Holt & Co., of Liverpool,
for another large twin-screw motor-
ship. This vessel, taken in conjunc-
tion with the three which Messrs.
Scott have already on hand for the

For some time past Messrs.
Yarrow and Co. have also been
carrying out work in connection with
the use of powdered fuel for steam-
raising purposes, and the committee
inspected an experimental water-tube
boiler of very high pressure con-
structed to burn pulverised coal.

Tonnage for the Admiralty.
The new policy announced by the
Government in respect to expendi-
ture on naval shipbuilding will prob-
ably affect the Clyde more in pre-
venting the placing of new orders
rather than in delaying the comple-
tion of work for which orders were
placed a considerable time since.
There are, for example, two light
cruisers fitting out at the Clyde, both
of which are nearing completion.

Messrs. Beardmore and Co. have
the cruiser "Shropshire" almost
ready for her final trials, and the
Fairfield Company have the "Nor-
folk" also pretty well forward in fit-
ting out. The former vessel was
launched fully a year ago, and the
latter was put into the water in De-
cember last.

The group of half-a-dozen destroy-
ers at present on hand in Clyde
yards were, of course, placed much
later, and if the slowing-down pro-
cess is to be extended to smaller
craft, it is just possible that delivery
of some of these vessels may be de-
layed. The two destroyers which
Messrs. Scotts have on hand, how-
ever, are both launched. Two ves-
sels of the same class, the "Acacia"
and the "Achates," are building in
the Clydebank yard of Messrs. John
Brown and Co. These vessels were
all ordered early in 1928, but
Messrs. Brown have another pair for
which orders were placed at the be-
ginning of the present year. In ad-



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the United States during 1921. It has recently been declared
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gressional action.

same owners, and the three which
the Caledon Company are building,
makes no fewer than seven ships
under construction in Scottish yards
for the Holt Line.

A Notable Trial Trip
No trial trip this year has aroused
more widespread interest in ship-
building and shipbuilding circles than
that of the pulverised fuel steamer
"Berwindale," which was running
official tests on the Clyde recently.

The "Berwindale," which has been
built by the Blythwood Shipbuilding
Company, Scotland, left Glasgow
harbour, and has since been carrying
out preliminary trials in the
Firth of Clyde. A large party of
guests of the owners went on
board the vessel at the Tail of the
Bank, and after the official trials
were completed the party returned
to Glasgow where they were enter-
tained to dinner by their hosts.

Although the "Berwindale," which
is one of the outstanding vessels of
the year, is the first to be specially
built on this side of the Atlantic
for the use of powdered coal as
fuel, the pulverising system installed
into her is not the only one which
is being developed in Britain at
present.

Messrs. Alexander Stephen
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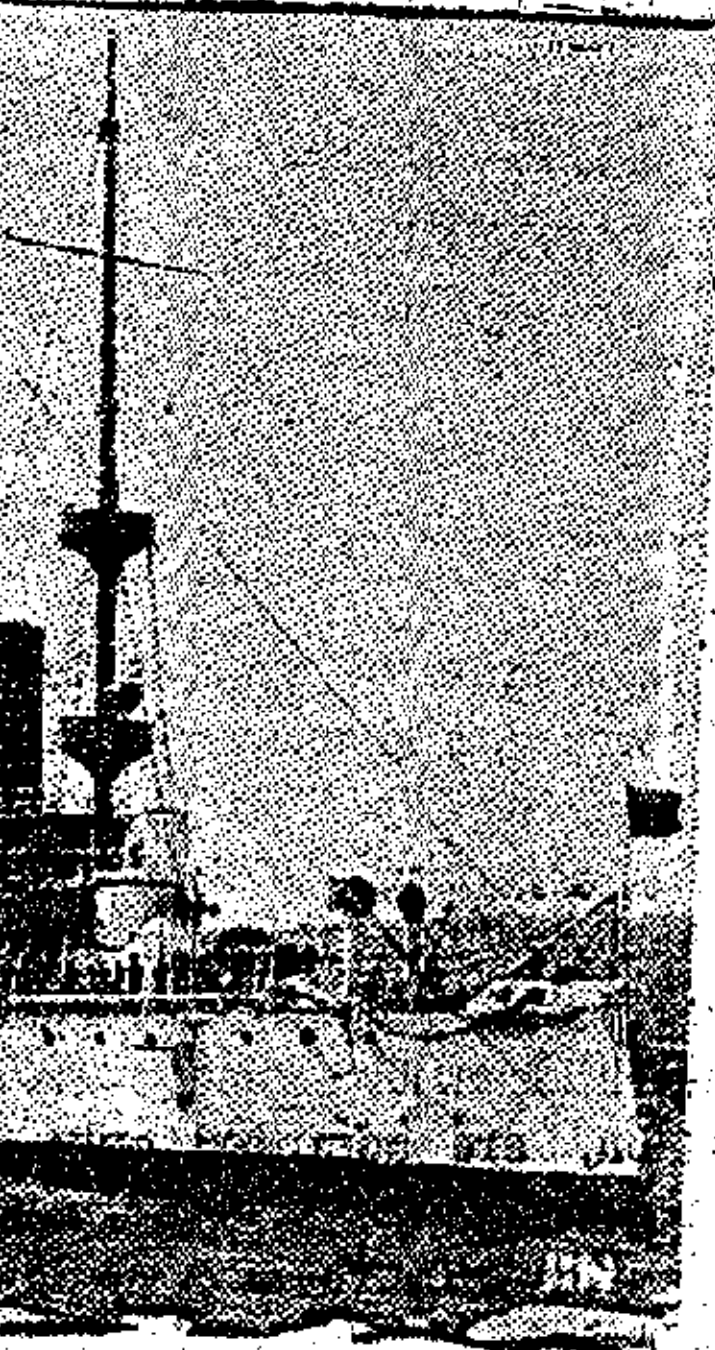
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Goods remaining in the Godowns after
the 22nd inst. will be subject to rent.
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be presented to the Underwriters on or
before the 6th Oct. 1929, or they
will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged
Goods are to be left in the Godowns,
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EASTERN PORTS

PLAGUE, CHOLERA AND
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The health bulletin of Eastern ports
for the week ending September 14,
issued by the Director of Medical
and Sanitary Services, gives the fol-
lowing cases:—

Plague

Alexandria: 4 cases, 2 deaths.
Basra: 1 case, 2 deaths.
Rangoon: 1 death.
Singapore: 1 case, 1 death.
Yam Penh: 2 cases, 2 deaths.

Cholera

Calcutta: 15 deaths.
Karachi: 6 deaths.
Bangkok: 4 cases.
Chinwangtao: 2 cases.
Chenulpo: 1 case.
Omar: 3 cases.
Shanghai: 4 deaths.
Newchwang: 1 case.
Swatow: 7 deaths.

Small-pox

Bombay: 3 cases.
Bombay: 1 case.
Bombay: 6 cases, 5 deaths.
Calcutta: 9 cases, 6 deaths.
Cochin: 4 cases.
Karachi: 8 cases, 3 deaths.
Madras: 16 cases, 7 deaths.
Moulmein: 2 cases.
Batavia: 1 case, 3 deaths.
Macassar: 4 cases, 2 deaths.
Daikent: 1 case.
Negapatam: 1 case.

SALVAGE OPERATIONS

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distance of 250 miles, on July 23.
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the following morning. The
"Kaiser" will now be completely dis-
mantled and broken up. Of the two
previously salvaged battle cruisers,
the "Moltke" has now been complete-
ly broken up, and the "Seydlitz" is
at present being dismantled. Messrs.
Cox and Danks are now commencing
operations on the 4,000-ton light
cruiser "Bremen," which they hope
to save before the end of the sum-
mer. Afterwards, the 25,000-ton
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HONG KONG TIDE

The tide-table given below has
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dicting Machine, which includes 40
components for the better prediction
of tides, from the results of the
analysis of the tidal observations,
taken at the Kowloon tidal observa-
tory under the direction of Dr.
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and 1889.

The times and heights are given
for Kowloon; but they may be used
for the Victoria Naval Yard and
Aberdeen, the differences being very
small.

The times of high and low-water
must not be considered to coincide
with the times of slack-water and
change of current, the two phenomena
being quite distinct.

September 21 to 27, 1929.					
DATE	HIGH WATER	LOWEST WATER	DATE	HIGH WATER	LOWEST WATER
Sept.	Standard Time	Ht.	Standard Time	Ht.	
Sat. 21	10 39	7.0	4 27	2.2	
Sun. 22	10 49	6.5	4 37	2.4	
Mon. 23	11 59	6.4	5 9	2.0	
Tues. 24	11 58	6.7	5 34	2.3	
Wed. 25	11 54	6.9	5 38	2.4	
Thurs. 26	11 45	8.0	5 59	2.1	
Fri. 27	11 45	8.0	6 59	2.1	
Sat. 28	11 45	8.0	6 59	2.1	
Sun. 29	11 45	8.0	6 59	2.1	
Mon. 30	11 45	8.0	6 59	2.1	
Tues. 1	11 45	8.0	6 59	2.1	
Wed. 2	11 45	8.0	6 59	2.1	
Thurs. 3	11 45	8.0	6 59	2.1	
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RIVER WATER LEVELS

REPORT FROM BOARD OF CONSERVANCY WORKS OF
KWANGTUNG

(Water Levels in English Feet)

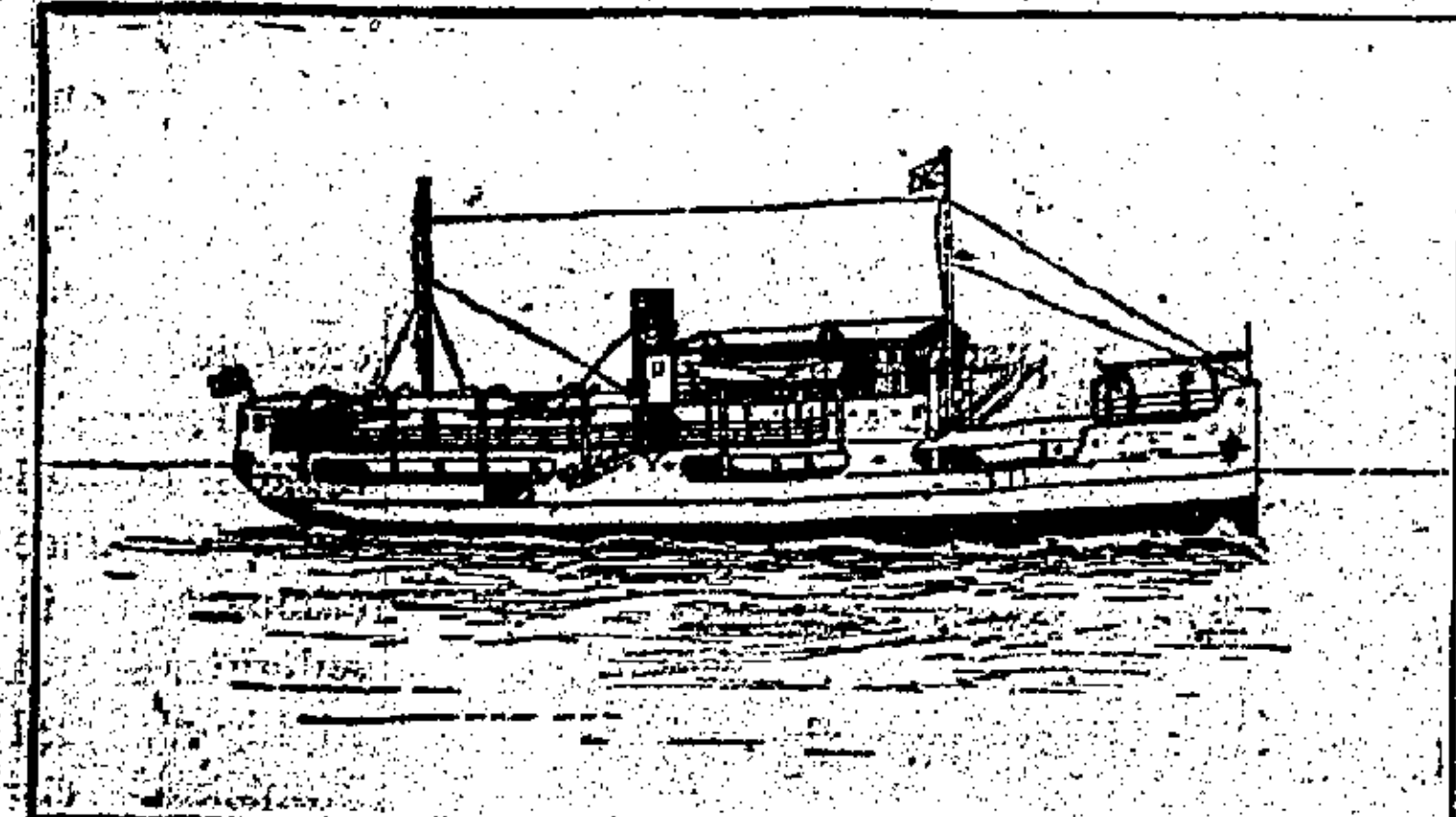
Place of Observation	Highest on record	Lowest on record	W.L.	W.L.
West River at Shingling ...	+41.0	0	12.9	13.9
North River at Taiyungshan ...	+29.7	0	5.9	4.9
North River at Sanyangui ...	+27.3	-5	6.8	6.7
East River at Shingling ...	+15.2	-3	2.5	1.4

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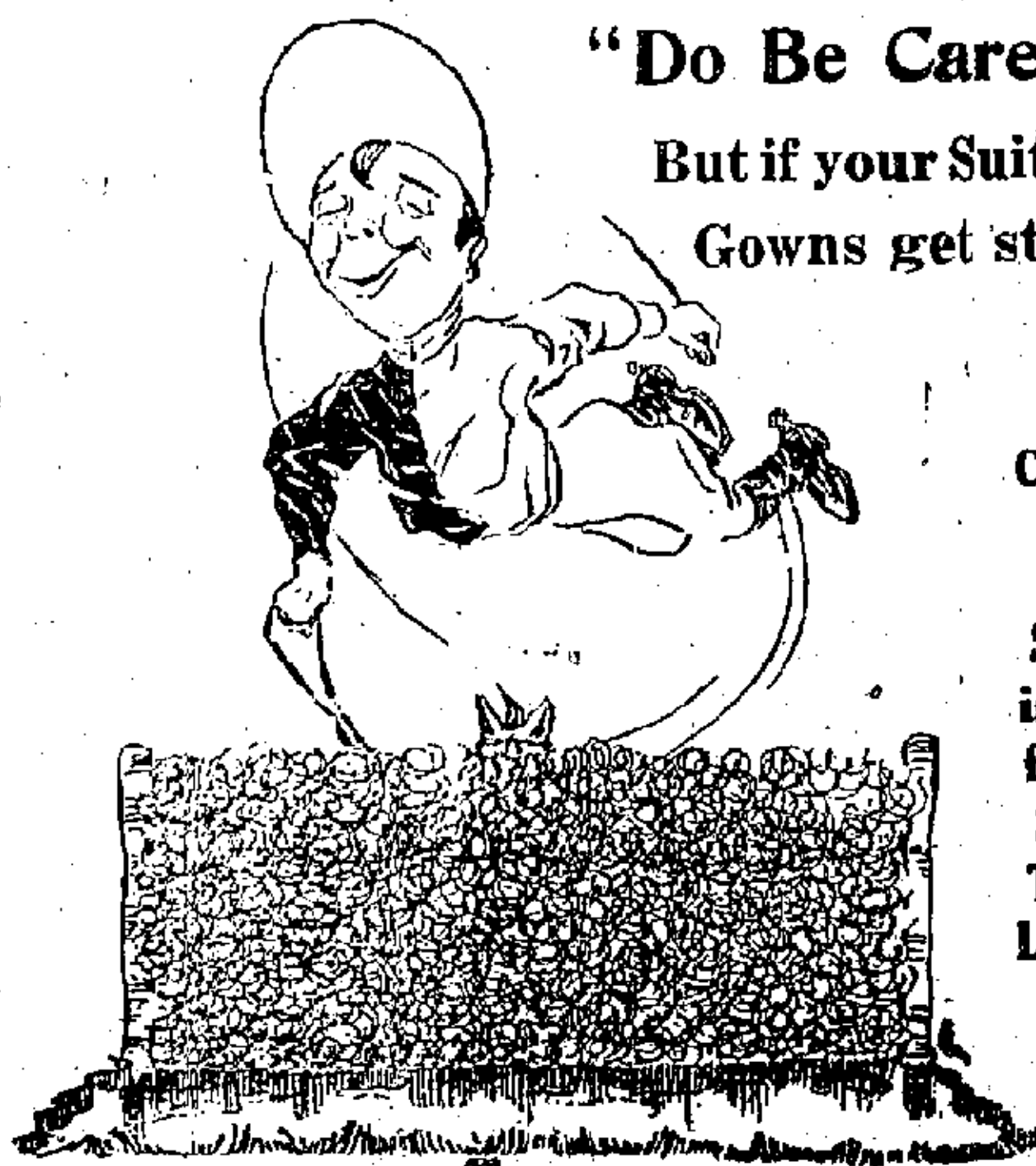
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STILL WATERS

Museums have been A Local defined as lumber-dustheap rooms, used by travellers for the deposit of rubbish they have collected, and presented under the guise of public service.

A man who has bought, in the folly of youth, scalp, swords, and relics from every land, wishes neither to be encumbered with them nor to put them in the dustbin. No, instead, with a magnanimous gesture, he presents them to the Municipal dustheap. This conception of the uses and functions of a Museum may have been tenable in the last century, when the craze for artificial culture demanded that stupid people should, for an age, stare in stone from the market square, or that hideous, over-ornamented, rococo houses should be crammed with curiosities, but not so to-day. The Museum is now the handmaiden of the laboratory, and its value to science for reference and comparison is enormous. In enlightened cities, a body of highly-educated men, either as Municipal Committee, or as trustees, meets periodically and is furnished with a report by the Secretary or curator, whose duty it is to classify, label, and index the exhibits, and generally see that they are kept in perfect order.

Hong Kong has a Museum, although few residents, perhaps, may be aware of its existence.

Nevertheless, it is to be discovered, hidden away behind a door at the City Hall. It is open daily, according to the "Dollar Directory," from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Women and children, for some mysterious reason, are admitted only on Saturday mornings! The Museum is not safe for them on ordinary week-days, apparently! The "Museum" (we quote the word in its present application, for truth's sake) is a diseased branch of the City Hall, with the library as its complement. It is officially stated to be managed by a Committee composed of the following distinguished gentlemen of the Colony: The Hon. Mr. B. D. F. Beith (Chairman), Mr. A. Murdoch (Hon. Treasurer), Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes, and Mr. W. K. Reynolds (Secretary). The Government, we suppose, allows a substantial sum for its upkeep, although we can find no specific reference to this in the 1930 Estimates. It probably is included in "City Hall, \$1,200."

The Museum is, A Public nevertheless, a disgrace to the Colony, and a slight upon people of intelligence for whose instruction it is, apparently, "kept up." It is nothing more than a jumble of oddities, unsorted, filthy with dust, and utterly useless for purposes of study. Not only are the labels so faded as to be completely indistinguishable, but in most cases the exhibits have no labels at all, and, in others, are even wrongly labelled. Apparently no effort whatever has been made to put the exhibits in order, classify, or even properly to label them. We might just as well have no Museum at all. The present one is a mere dustheap, and a further monument of slackness and inefficiency.

What About speeches in the Budget A Reformatory the Unofficial members of the Legislative Council on Thursday afternoon, much criticism was levelled at the Government.

Some of it was helpful and some otherwise. All trotted out their pet schemes and urged that they be brought to fruition, but it was very surprising to note that none paid any attention to juvenile offenders in the Colony. It is true that a better jail was asked for, but a prison is certainly not the place to send a youngster to have his faults corrected. It is an almost everyday occurrence to see the Magistrates in a quandary when dealing with youthful

delinquents. They need not be, if there is such a place in Hong Kong which could be called a reformatory. Magistrates are loath, and rightly, too, to send a youngster to jail, there to rub shoulders with case-hardened criminals and only to emerge from the prison as a full-fledged criminal. In a fast growing Colony like ours, a reformatory is a crying need, and one cannot help wondering why this has for so long been omitted. Are we to believe that it is the intention of our administrators to have youthful offenders turned into case-hardened criminals? In this civilised age we cannot believe that such is the intention. It is more likely that through an "oversight" a reformatory has not been built. Surely if an international port like Shanghai sees the need of a reformatory, Hong Kong cannot say that we can get along without one. A reformatory is not an expensive institution to maintain. The one in Shanghai was started on a small scale. A godown was purchased and was placed in charge of a European warder, assisted by three Indians. Two good conduct prisoners were selected from the jail to teach the boys "basket-making and cobbling. Their environment—without having to mix with cut-throats, murderers, and pirates—was certainly more pleasant under the circumstances. There is no misanthropic scowl to be seen there, and quite a number of the boys on leaving the institution followed the straight and narrow path in life.—It may be that some scheme is in the making here for a Reformatory or Borstal Institute, but until that comes to fruition we must look to the Waifs' Club to "do its bit" for erring youth.

The name of Mr. Leslie Owen Ross has been added to the list of authorised architects.

The name of the Ping On Bandit Risk Insurance Company, Limited, has been struck off the register of companies.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. Roger Soame Jenyns to be an Assistant to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, with effect September 10.

The name of Mr. William Ivan Mackinnon, L.R.C.P.S. (Edinburgh), L.F.P.S. (Glasgow), whose address is given as the s.s. "Empress of France," has been added to the Register of Medical Practitioners.

At the expiration of three months from date the China Shun Nung Shih Company, Limited will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the register of companies and the company will be dissolved.

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The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Denis Hazell will be glad to learn that they have returned to the Colony from Singapore. Mr. Hazell expects to remain here for about three weeks, after which he will go to Shanghai on a short business visit. Mrs. Hazell and baby will stay here until Mr. Hazell's return in November.

The lady members of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club held a very successful golf competition and Bridge drive at Deep Water Bay on Tuesday last. A tombstone competition was played over 18 holes, and the prize was won by Mrs. Sheldon, who holed out at the 18th, taking 77 strokes for the course. The Bridge contest was won by Mrs. Dunnott.

CORRESPONDENCE.

ANTI-MALARIAL CAMPAIGN

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."] Sir,—In his criticism of the Budget, Sir Henry Pollock refers to the necessity of waging war upon the malaria-bearing kinds of mosquito, especially at Repulse Bay, Stanley and Tai-po, and in the Kowloon foothills.

Another district that might well be included is the valley situated to the North-West of Mount Parker, in which vicinity many of the European staff of the Tai-koo Dockyard reside, and where, I understand, well over 100 cases of malaria occurred during the months of June, July, and August of this year. When one considers that the total number of residents (European and Chinese) in the

WEDDING BELLS

FORTHCOMING ARMY & NAVY MARRIAGES

LIEUT. SHILLINGTON

Notice has been given to the local Registrar of the forthcoming marriages of two officers in Hong Kong.

Lieut. John Graham Shillington, of the 2nd Battalion the King's Own Scottish Borderers, is to be married to Miss Hilda Mary Mahony, No. 37, Drayton-gardens, London S.W.8. This will not be the first Borderers' wedding in this Colony.

Lt. Shillington has been Adjutant of his Battalion and will long be remembered by race-goers for his steeplechase victories and a very big dividend in flat racing—all as the result of hard work on one pony.

The other coming wedding concerns Paymaster Lt. Comdr. Adrian Mariner Pigott, H.M.S. "Tamar," and Miss Betty Alice Maud Haggas, Myrtle Grove, Kelghly, Yorkshire.

PASTOR'S OVATION

WEDDING GIFTS FOR THE REV. AND MRS. J. H. JOHNSTON

RECEPTION AT KOWLOON

At the Kowloon Union Church, last night, the Rev. J. Horace Johnston, pastor of the Church, and his bride, who have just arrived from Home, where they were recently married, were the guests of honour at a reception and presentation, which was attended by a large gathering of members of the Church Body and the congregation, under the chairmanship of Mr. D. F. Warren.

The function opened with prayer led by the Rev. F. Short, of the London Mission, and during the course of the evening musical and vocal items were enjoyed.

Then, on behalf of the Women's Guild, which had organised the gathering, and of the congregation, Mrs. D. Harvey, President of the Guild, presented Mr. and Mrs. Johnston with a blackwood cabinet and two silver vases, as wedding presents.

On the cabinet was the following inscription:—

"Presented to the Rev. and Mrs. J. Horace Johnston on the occasion of their marriage, 24th July, 1929, by the congregation of the Union Church, Kowloon."

The chairman, Mr. Warren, delivered a happy speech in which he said that a few months ago they had farewelled for the time being to Mr. Johnston, a lonely man. (Laughter). He took a trip to England on a very special mission, that of taking unto himself a wife, and there was no need to ask whether he had been successful or not. (Laughter). They were gathered for the express purpose of extending to the Rev. and Mrs. Johnston their heartiest congratulations, and to wish them god health, long life and abundant happiness. (Applause). Mrs. Johnston was a newcomer, but they felt that she would become one of them and would be of great assistance. (Applause).

It was to be regretted that the Masse was not yet ready for occupation, but it was hoped that the building committee would get on with the job. In welcoming Mr. Johnston it was felt that his ministry would be even more successful in the future than it had been before. They required the whole-hearted co-operation of Church members if the work was to be successfully carried on. It meant that everyone should step into place and share the burden. The various organisations called for real work, and they must do their utmost to see that the Church fulfilled its mission in the life of the community. "May we be able to earn for our Church the title 'The Star of the East.'" (Applause).

Mr. M. F. Key expressed congratulations on behalf of the Union Church, Hong Kong.

History of Kindness In expressing thanks, Mr. Johnston said that the welcome was just a culmination of quite a long history of kindness that had been shown to him. He was very grateful for their giving him the privilege of taking three months' holiday. It had been used to the full, and the main object had been carried through with great success. (Applause).

There was a very happy reception at the wedding, he continued, and he and his wife thought it would help to link up that occasion with the present if they brought a portion of the wedding cake to be distributed. They wished to express thanks for the kind way they had been received.

Later, Mrs. D. Harvey, in presenting the cabinet and vases (which was done by removing a screen which concealed them) said that on behalf of the Church she had very much pleasure in making Mr. and Mrs. Johnston to accept the gifts with best wishes for their future happiness.

Mr. Johnston expressed thanks on behalf of himself and his wife. He said they appreciated the gifts very much, and nothing could have been more appropriate.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnston brought the upper half of their wedding cake with them and during the evening this was distributed, together with refreshments which were provided.

community affected probably does not exceed 250, it seems to me that here is a strong case for immediate and vigorous action.

Yours, etc.,

HONG KONG, September 20.

P'RAPS —

P'RAPS NOT!

Maggie's sweetheart, a proverbial tight-fisted Scot, had taken her out for the afternoon and that was about all. They rode some distance on the tram, turned around, and rode home again. Never was mention made of food or entertainment.

Back within her own gateway, Maggie, who had keenly felt the neglect, sarcastically proffered Sandy a shpence.

"For the tram fare you spent on me," she said meaningly.

"Toots, toots, woman," returned Sandy, pocketing the coin, "there was nae hurry. Saturday wad hae been time enough."

"How are things with you?"

"Couldnt be better. My wife has eloped, my mother-in-law has lost her voice, and I have just won the big lottery."

Doctor (to patient): "Have you tried gargling with salt water?" Sailor: "I should think so! I've been shipwrecked six times."

First Aimless Shopper (to second ditto): "Well, dear, if you're not going to buy anything, we might just as well look at something more expensive."

A minister was horrified one Sunday to see a boy in the gallery of the church pelting his hearers in the pews below with peanuts. As the god man looked up the boy cried out: "You tend to your preaching, mister, I'll keep them awake."

The school inspector had arrived to examine the class.

Pointing to one boy he said: "You look intelligent. Can you tell me where Ben Nevis is?"

"No sir," replied the boy. "I don't think he's at this school."

"Did yer git anything?" whispered the burglar on the ground as his pal emerged from the window. "Naw; the bloke wot lives here is a lawyer," replied the other in disgust.

"Hard luck!" said the first. "Did you lose anything?"

Boss: "Now, Murphy, you told me you stayed very late and worked overtime last night."

Murphy: "Yes, sir; I did."

"Well, how is it that Jones saw you at the greyhound races?"

"Oh, that was not me, sir. I saw that fellow there myself, and he was very much like me!"

A man who had taken pity on a lad and given him work as junior clerk kept him at the office rather later than usual one Saturday.

The lad became sulky, and performed his duties in a very dilatory manner. At last his employer turned on him.

"You ungrateful rascal, where would you be now but for me?"

"At a cricket match," was the answer.

Boy (applying for position as office boy): "I hope, sir, that you will take the fact that all my grandparents are positively dead to be in my favour."

Tourist, in mining town: "Is this a good healthy place to settle in?" Hotelkeeper: "It is, stranger. Fact is, ye can't get away from here alive unless ye do settle."

"Mother," complained little Marjorie, "you always give Eleanor the biggest slice of cake."

"But you see, dear, she is the biggest."

"Yes, and she always will be if you give her the most to eat!"

A butcher in a certain town had read a good deal about "Milk from Contented Cows" and, wanting to keep up with the times, he placed this sign in his window: "Sausages from pigs that died happy."

Bobby: "I've been a very good boy since I started going to Sunday School, haven't I?"

Mother: "Yes, dear, you've been very good indeed."

Bobby: "And you don't distrust me any more, do you?"

Mother: "No, dear."

Bobby: "Then why do you hide the jam?"

Father and son were enjoying an afternoon in the country.

"Just fancy, Norman," said the father, pointing around him, "at one time these fields were covered by the sea, and fish were swimming about on the very spot where we stand."

"Yes, papa," said little Norman, suddenly stopping. "Look, here's an empty salmon tin!"

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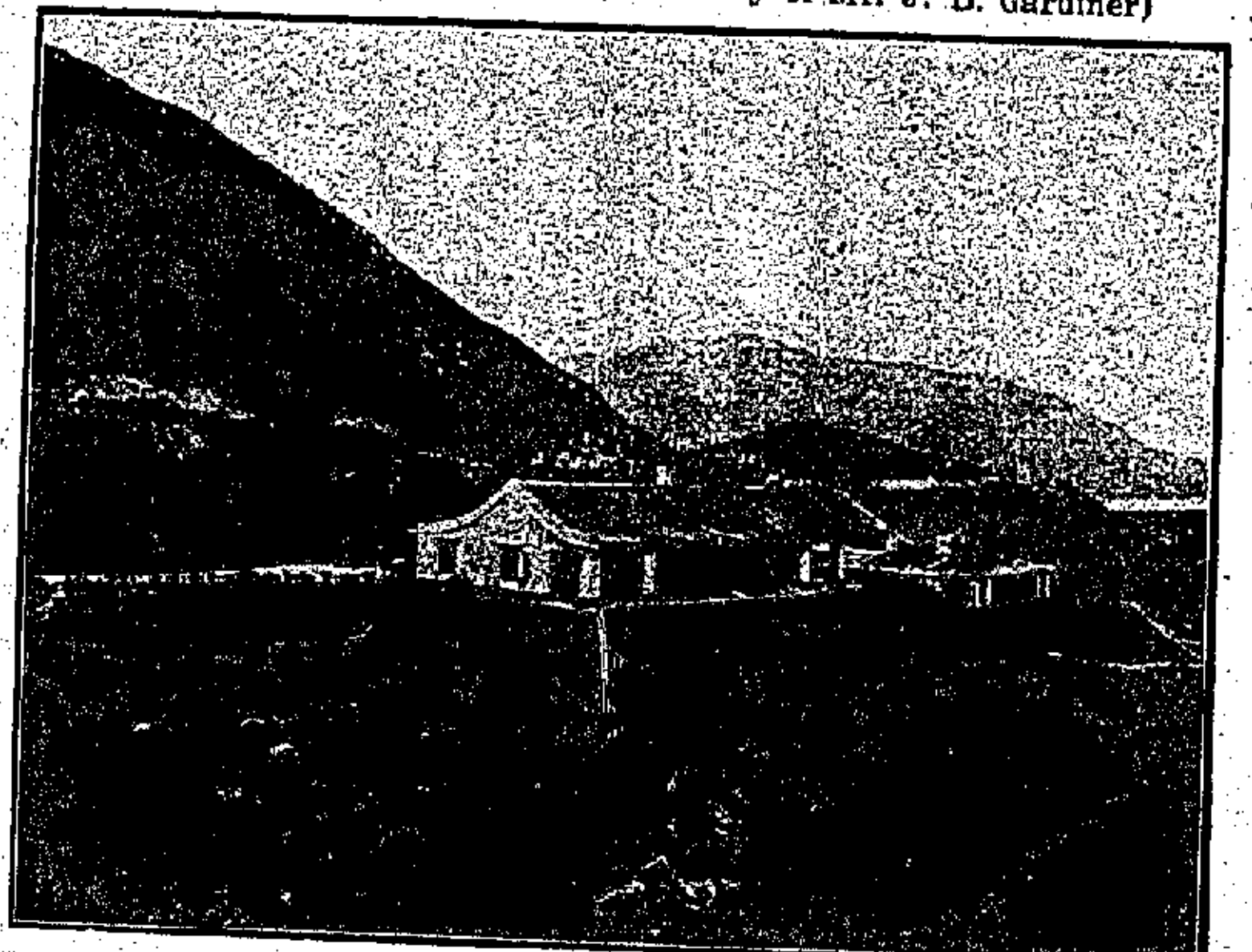
MR. FENG WAI.—Commissioner of Public Utilities in the Canton Government. He has been in office seven years—a fact which speaks for itself. Many improvements in the Municipality are attributable to Mr. Feng and he is still doing good work. (Canton News Agency).



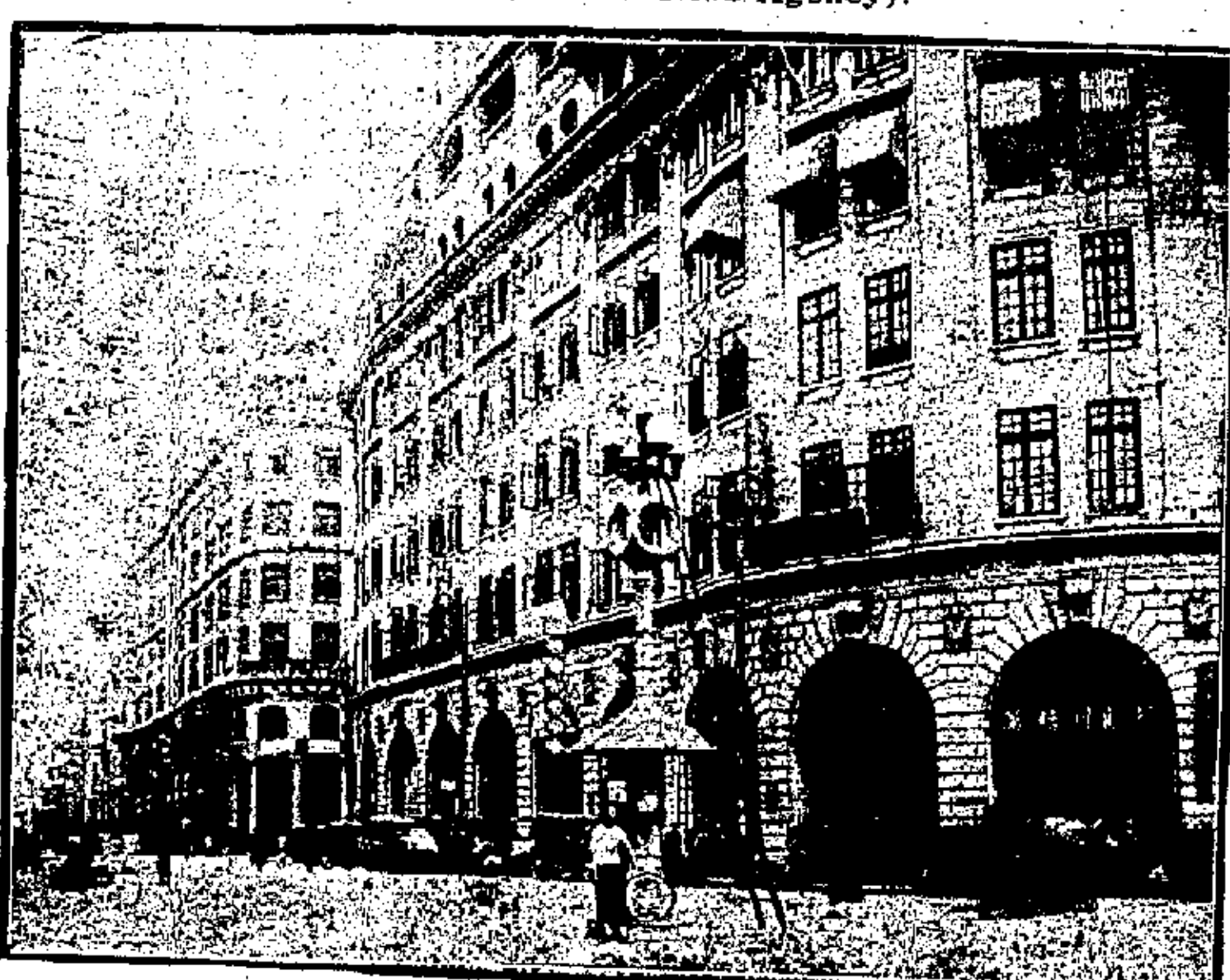
AT THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL.—The group at the wedding of Mr. Marcus A. Carvalho and Miss Elaine Osmund on September 15. The bride wore a picture frock of ivory crepe georgette and carried a bouquet of white roses with maid-maid hair fern. Mr. A. W. da Rosa gave the bride away. Mrs. A. W. da Rosa (the bride's sister) was matron of honour. There were four bridesmaids, the Misses Patricia dos Remedios, Sylvia dos Remedios, Carmen Xavier and Francesca Gomes. Miss Roberta Remedios was the flower girl. Masters Bruno and Manuel da Rosa served as pages.



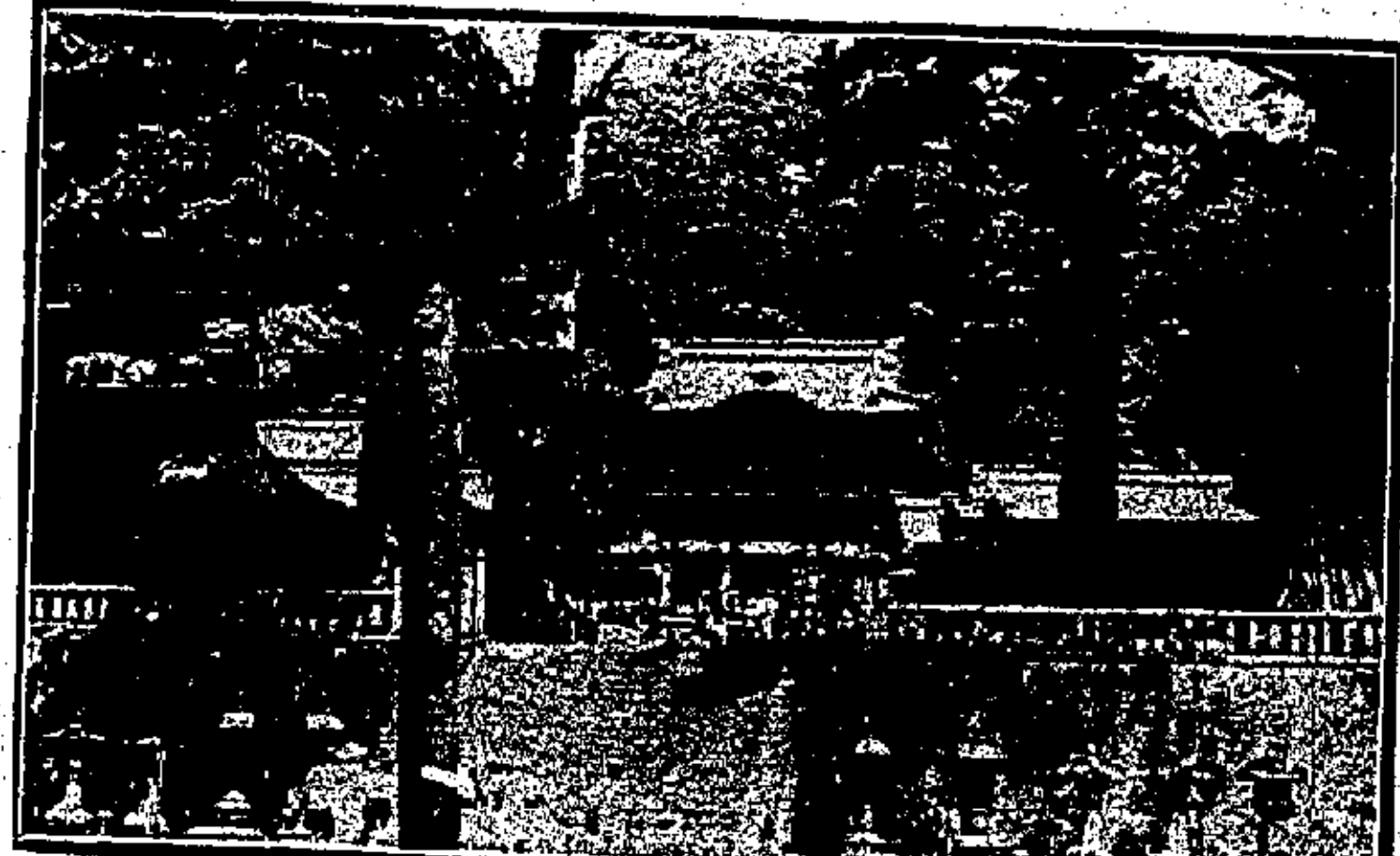
TRAIN DERAILLED.—Passengers climbing off the 3.20 p.m. express for Canton after one of the coaches had left the rails just outside Kowloon station on September 11. (Photo by courtesy of Mr. J. B. Gardiner)



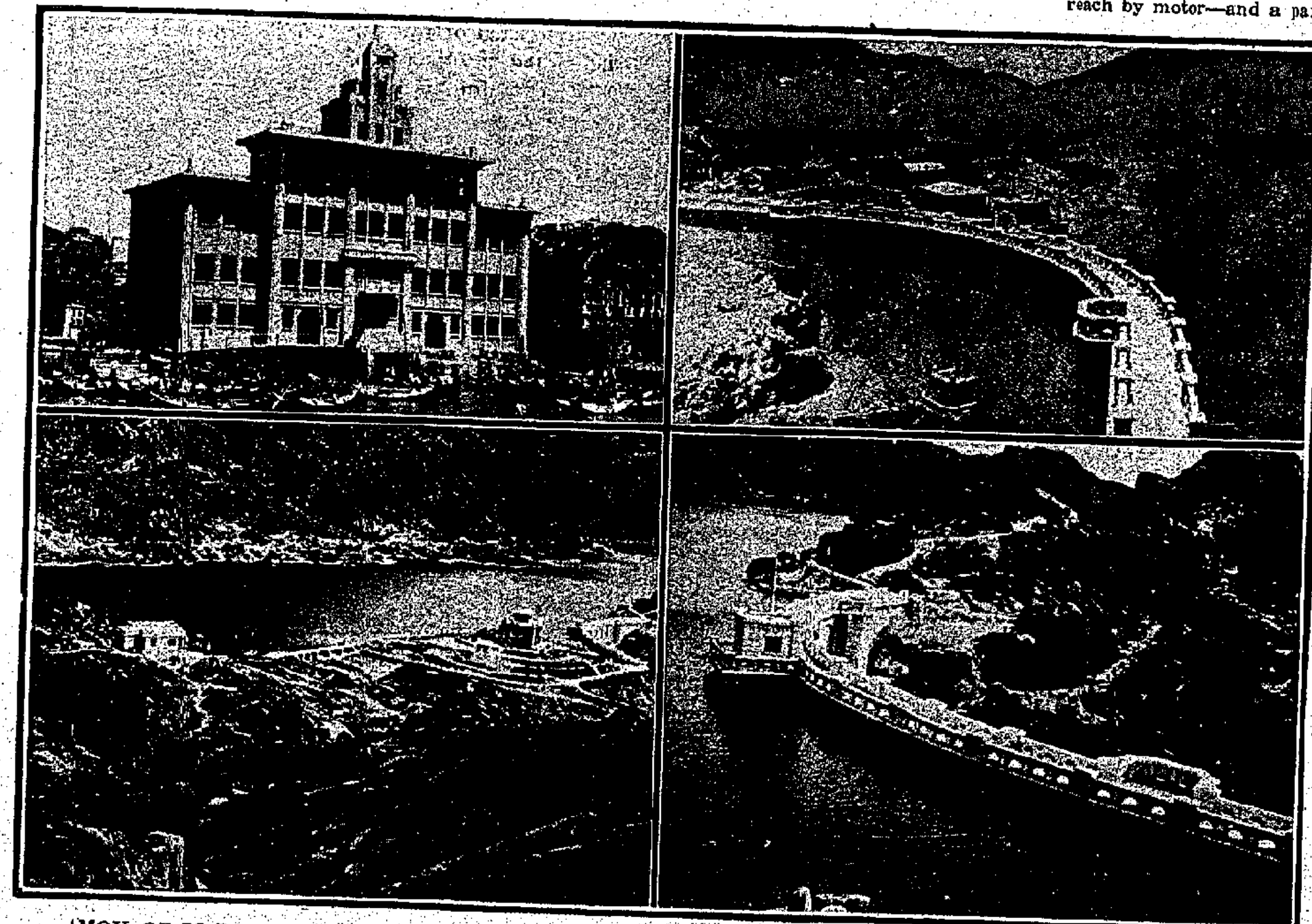
SHEK O HILLSIDE.—One of the country residences on the east coast of Hong Kong Island, where the community has its own golf course. A considerable distance out from the city, Shek O is within comparatively easy reach by motor—and a part of the drive can be quite enjoyable.



CANTON INNOVATION.—The clock tower and the dock to be mounted in front of modern buildings in Da Nam-road. A light is erected to the right of the post, above the weather cover for the traffic policeman. (Canton News Agency).



HOLIDAY SCENE IN JAPAN.—The main temple of the Iesayo shrines in Nikko. Taken by a Hong Kong resident on leave.



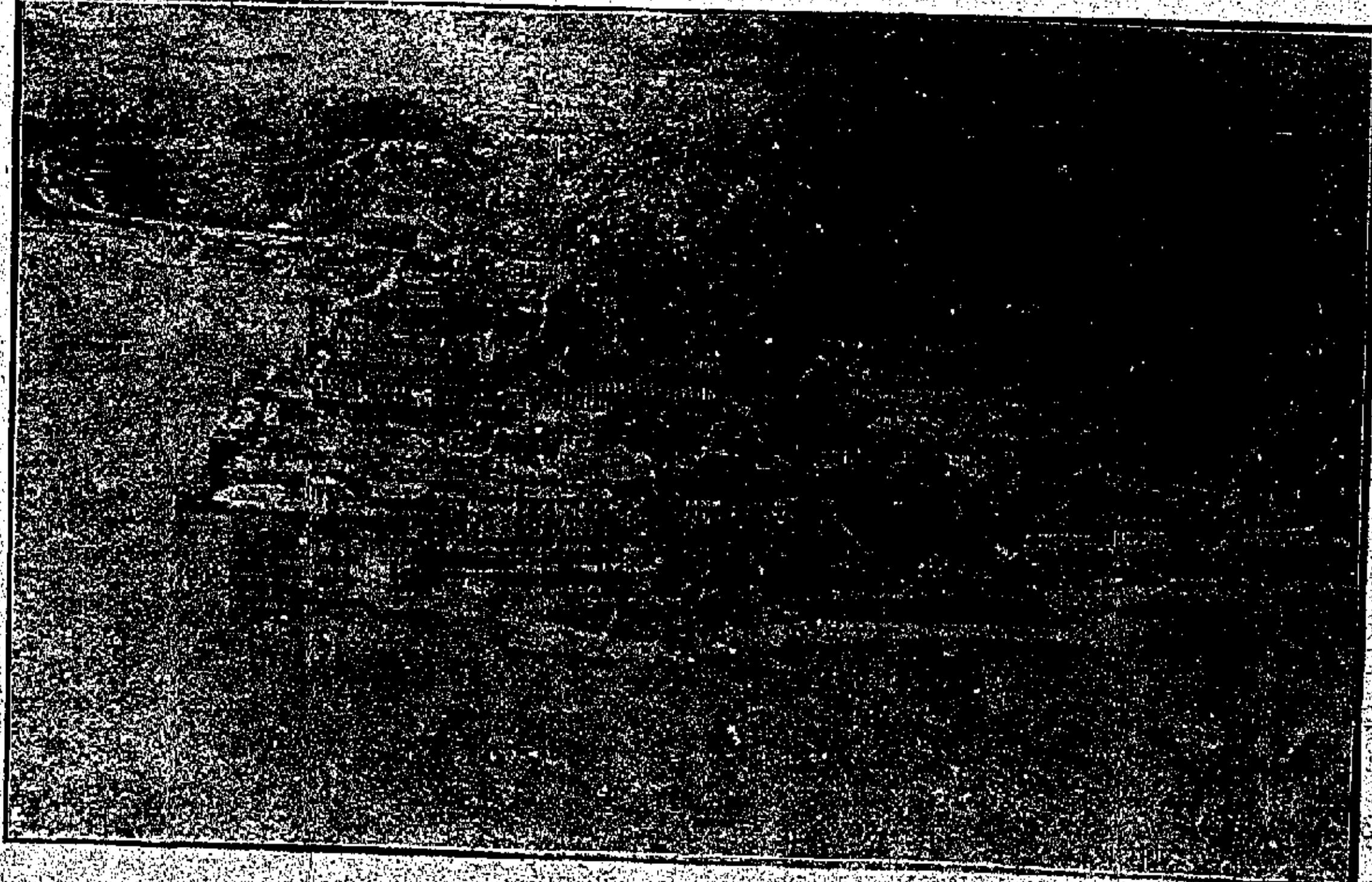
AMOY OF TO-DAY.—Perhaps there are many people who still do not know that Amoy has a most up-to-date waterworks system which ranks with the best waterworks in the world—some being under the impression that Amoy is a dirty commercial port along the China coast. Upper left: On the water-front of Amoy stands this fine structure of the Amoy Waterworks Co., recently built and completed; upper right: The dome of the Amoy Waterworks' reservoir before completion; lower left: A general view of the reservoir on the mountain top; lower right: A back view of the dome of the reservoir. Mr. Homer Ling, graduate of M.I.T. and Harvard University, U.S.A., is the engineer-in-chief of the concern.



OLIVE TELL.—In "Slaves of Beauty," the film at the Star Theatre on Tuesday and Wednesday.

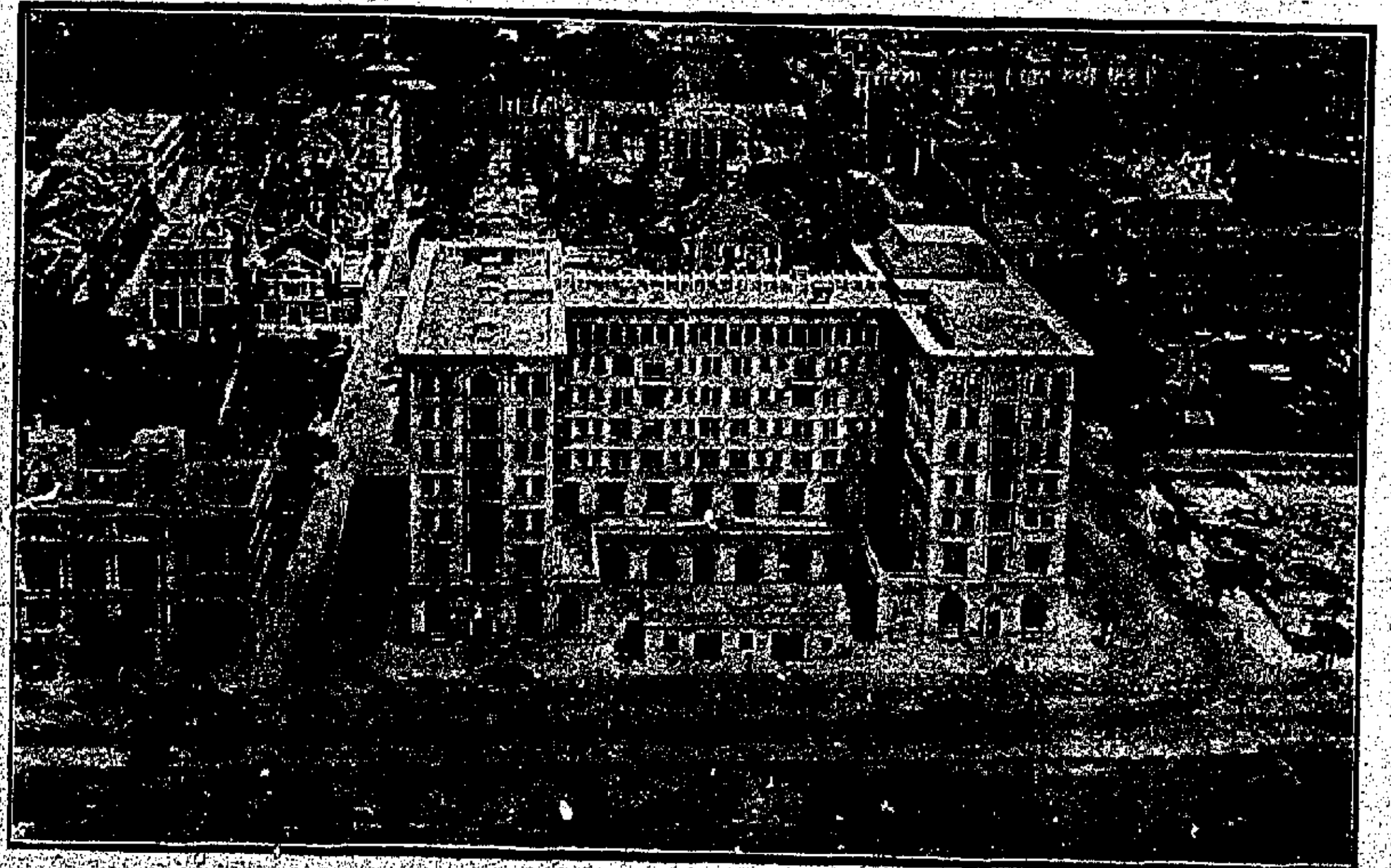


TWO "ARTHURS."—George K. and Jean, with Karl Dane in "Brotherly Love," which will be shown at the Star Theatre to-morrow.



(On left) — PRAISED IN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., as seen from the air. Note the extensive buildings and workshops erected at Hungshom—a credit to the Colony.

(On right) — KOWLOON POINT.—The Peninsula Hotel as it appeared prior to the official opening. Picture taken from aeroplane showing the Salisbury-road and Nathan-road 'trails' left by Kowloon's motor omnibuses.





The WOMAN'S Page



Bare-Back Cult



A striking pyjama leach suit—minus the coat—whose wearer exposes her back for the rays of the sun to brown. — (Sport and General).

Brilliance In New Sport Clothes



The Navajo coat has found an enthusiastic feminine public. Leone Lane, left, is right in the swim with her gay wrap, seen here. Brilliant reds, oranges, greens and blacks create the fascinating Indian patterns. Black and orange are no longer relegated to football pennants. Miriam Seegar, right, wears a dashing sports outfit of orange jersey with black bandings. A black beret completes the colourful ensemble.

Hard To Beat



When it comes to colours, red wins the honours in the women's approval, especially for sport. This tempting flannel sports coat of a dull, ruddy tint with felt hat to match is taking the play at the best country clubs.

Black Leads All Else For Autumn



When in doubt wear black, is the advice of Miriam Seegar, left, and if it's for afternoon wear, by all means make it soft Elizabeth crepe. The draped skirt and circular cape lend graceful and liquid lines to the wearer, and a smart black felt hat strikes a note of individuality by adding two large dusters under each ear. Jean Arthur, right, applauds the return of black with the fall season, and adds a vivid touch of colour with the golden leaf designs on her chic black satin frock.

Simple & Elegant



Midnight blue georgette expresses this delightful evening gown for the coming season, its fullness caught at the back in novel manner and falling in graceful folds to the ground, the whole effect still retaining its slim outline.— By Isobel, London.

TOUCH OF WHITE

REVIVAL OF OLD-FASHIONED LIKING

The revival of the old-fashioned liking for a touch of white at the throat is a very becoming mode which seems likely to stay with us for some time. White fittings of all kinds are being made, and even suits in black and white have little vests and waistcoats of white pique or some other fabric which gives them a fresh clean look. The "touch of white" falls into two categories. One is severe; the other is fluffy and very becoming to those women with rather thin necks and faces.

On the severe side, there are white stocks, sometimes made of satin and worn with tailored coats and suits. There is the fold of white which is placed inside the little coat, and there are white turned-down collars worn with a coloured tie or bow. For occasions when more elaborate clothes are called for, "charming" collars are being made rather on the old Peter Pan lines, with neat little frills round the edges.

Fichus are seen a good deal, and the main difference between them and their predecessors is that they are white, instead of the same colour as the gown they accompany. There is a delightful eighteenth-century touch about some of these dresses with fitted

bodies and full skirts, and finished with a white fichu. Fichus may be of the handkerchief type, knotted in front, or they may be frilled and draped straight round the neck instead of being on the cross. Many dresses are now being made with vests and collars of white or gaudy, even black dresses, which, for some time now, have seemed to prefer fittings of pink georgette.

Some of the white pique waistcoats worn with black or navy suits have wide turned-down collars attached, while others follow the lines of the stand-up collar and are then finished with a jabot. The jabot, by the way, is liked very much both for tailored suits and for clothes of the more fussy type.

THE YOKE EFFECT

It is evident that yoke effects are to be of first importance this season. Very popular is the yoke which starts square from the shoulders and forms a deep V in the middle.

Coats of light-weight materials, which do not demonstrate the yoke, are shaped at the neck by means of adroitly graduated tucks.

Bustles are back. Quite a number of gowns in the stiff materials show a pronounced bustle effect over a dipping skirt. One frock of peach taffetas had this bustle surmounted by an enormous taffetas bow!

FRESH FLOWERS

KEEP THEM IN THE ICE CHEST AT NIGHT

At this time of the year lovers of flowers are able to fill their houses with beautiful blooms of all kinds, and moreover to secure them at very little expense.

If, however, one does not possess a garden, nor yet an unlimited amount of spare money to purchase fresh flowers, it is wise to do all possible to keep the flowers in a fresh condition for as long as you can.

A tablet of aspirin dissolved in the water in a large vase of flowers will help to prolong their life, while half a tablet is sufficient for a small bowl of flowers.

If you are the lucky possessor of a proper refrigerator, place your flowers in it at night and they will certainly remain fresh for a good space of time; if not, the humble cellar may be utilised to help the blooms retain their freshness.

In Surf Green



Surf green velvet completes this charming evening ensemble. The transparent velvet wrap is worn over a frock of the same hue in a taffeta, and both slip uneventfully to the ground at the back, forming a graceful sweeping line.

SLIPS TO-DAY

QUITE AS TEMPERAMENTAL AS FASHION

But the slip, this time, is not between the cup and the lip, but between the neckline and the hemline, and it is quite as temperamental an affair as fashion itself. And the reason for the many garments is the fact that different frocks and different occasions call for different foundation garments, especially in a day when no two frocks have the same neckline, and it is quite impossible to make the same slip do for two frocks.

One's entire clothing, these days, may be composed of an extremely brief girdle, a brassiere, a slip and a frock, or the frock may have shots as a part of it, eliminating even the slip. Or the slip may have "panties" as a part of it—you simply have to look them over and judge for yourself. Some are tailored and others are very elaborately, though not fussily trimmed with handwork and real laces—formal, these slips.

Crepe de chine is the favourite fabric and crepe meteor is used. There are slips of pongee and the like, less expensive and, in a way more practical, but it is hard to be practical when one is really in the midst of the many models. Pink, white, sun-tan, eggshell and the pastels are the colours most in demand, and when lace is used it is rarely ever pure white, unless planned for wear with a white frock.

Some of the slips are made with a fairly long bodice and the skirt

pleated on to it, or rather, joined to it with beading. There are wrap-around models, rather smart for either sports or town wear, the edges of the slip scalloped. There are very great many slips with the sun-tan decoletage—it is a good idea to be sure that such a slip is low enough to accommodate any models that you may happen to have.

TOILE DE SOIE

White toile de soie is being used very freely this season for sports frocks. It is a material which hangs very well, and lends itself to the tailored line. In general, bodices are straight with a V-shaped opening and rolled-back collar. They button severely down the front, a point being made of the natty pearl buttons. The hips are close-fitting and the skirt is joined to them in broad pleats. Frocks are finished with belts of bright red or green patent leather, placed just below the natural waist-line.

Some of the smartest sports dresses have very deep shoulder yokes with little tucks let in to give fullness below. Others have hip yokes, while others again make a great deal of the trouser-top line, with the skirts looking as though they were buttoned on to

the higher bodice, in the fashion of Kate Greenaway trousers. Sometimes a bolero effect is given by means of joins in the material; sometimes the skirt is stitched fairly high up on to a straight bodice. An essential in the sports dress is that it must be loose enough to allow ample freedom, yet look as though it gripped somewhere.

LEATHER NECKLACES

Sports jewellery is a craze of the moment. Necklaces of mixed beads and leather are considered the smartest thing for sports wear. Many of the beads are leather-coloured, or are in warm moorland shades. A typical chain had large mauve beads strung on string with pellets of yellow leather and plain wood. The beads being hollow, the necklace was lighter than it looked. Another had beads of a deep honey tone divided with what looked like tiny wooden cotton reels.

CHARMING

NEW SHOULDER TRIMMINGS DESCRIBED

A pretty idea is that of trimming the shoulders of an otherwise plain coat. There was a charming ensemble, the frock of which was of white and china blue silk marocain, and the coat in navy blue marocain lined with navy crepe. The latter was straight and rather narrow, and had a narrow curl-shaped piece of the patterned stuff inset over the shoulders, extending down the front and to the shoulder blades at the back.

Another ensemble consisted in a clear light blue georgette frock, with a pattern round the scalloped hem thickly embroidered in tiny chalk-white beads, and a coat of thick double navy georgette repeating the bead pattern over the shoulders. It was so pretty and novel that everyone wanted to examine it, thinking the embroidery was done in silk.

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A naughty sport was hoop-rolling in 1840 and only the most daring of girls indulged. Mary Brian, left, appears in the costume of that day for girls who were immodest enough to go in for hoop-rolling. What would the 1840 flapper say, however, if she could see Doris Hill, right, in her gelling ensemble, playing as skillful a game as any man on the links?

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FLYING OFFICER H. R. D. WAGHORN.—Who won the Schneider Cup race (for seaplanes) for Britain at a record speed of 328.63 miles per hour.—(Sport and General).



A MERRY TIME FOR THE JUVENILES.—Children's day at the Boscombe (Hants) carnival was a real joy day, wonderful fancy costumes being worn by the young competitors. The famous South coast resort presented a scene of great gaiety during the proceedings. Some of the juvenile competitors are seen here in their fancy costumes walking through the enormous crowd to the pier. Note the youthful "musicians" on right.—(Sport and General).



"SAFE IN THE ARMS OF THE LAW."—A typical English "lobby," to whom, as everybody knows, nothing comes amiss, merrily takes charge of children at a sports meeting.—(Sport and General).



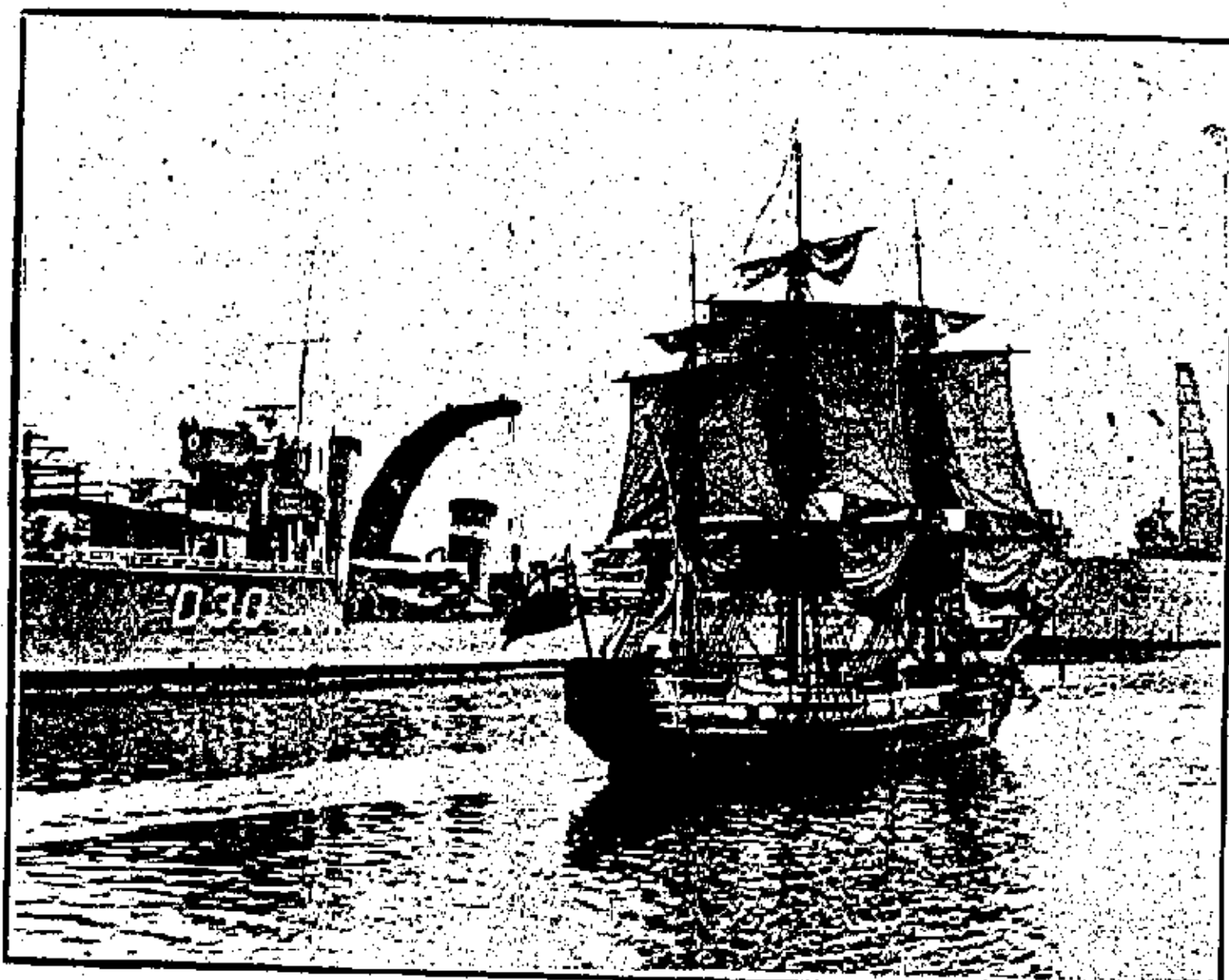
SCHNEIDER CUP.—The Supermarine Rolls Royce S. 6 (N. 247) one of Britain's four seaplane high speed machines, which won the trophy this year.—(Sport and General).



THE MARGARET MORRIS SCHOOL OF OUTDOOR DANCING.—Attending a summer school at St. Iden, on the Belgium coast, under conditions as ideal as possible for the study of their graceful art. This is a remarkably beautiful pose by two of the pupils, who appear to be almost "clashing" in the air in their flying leaps as they pass each other.—(Sport and General).



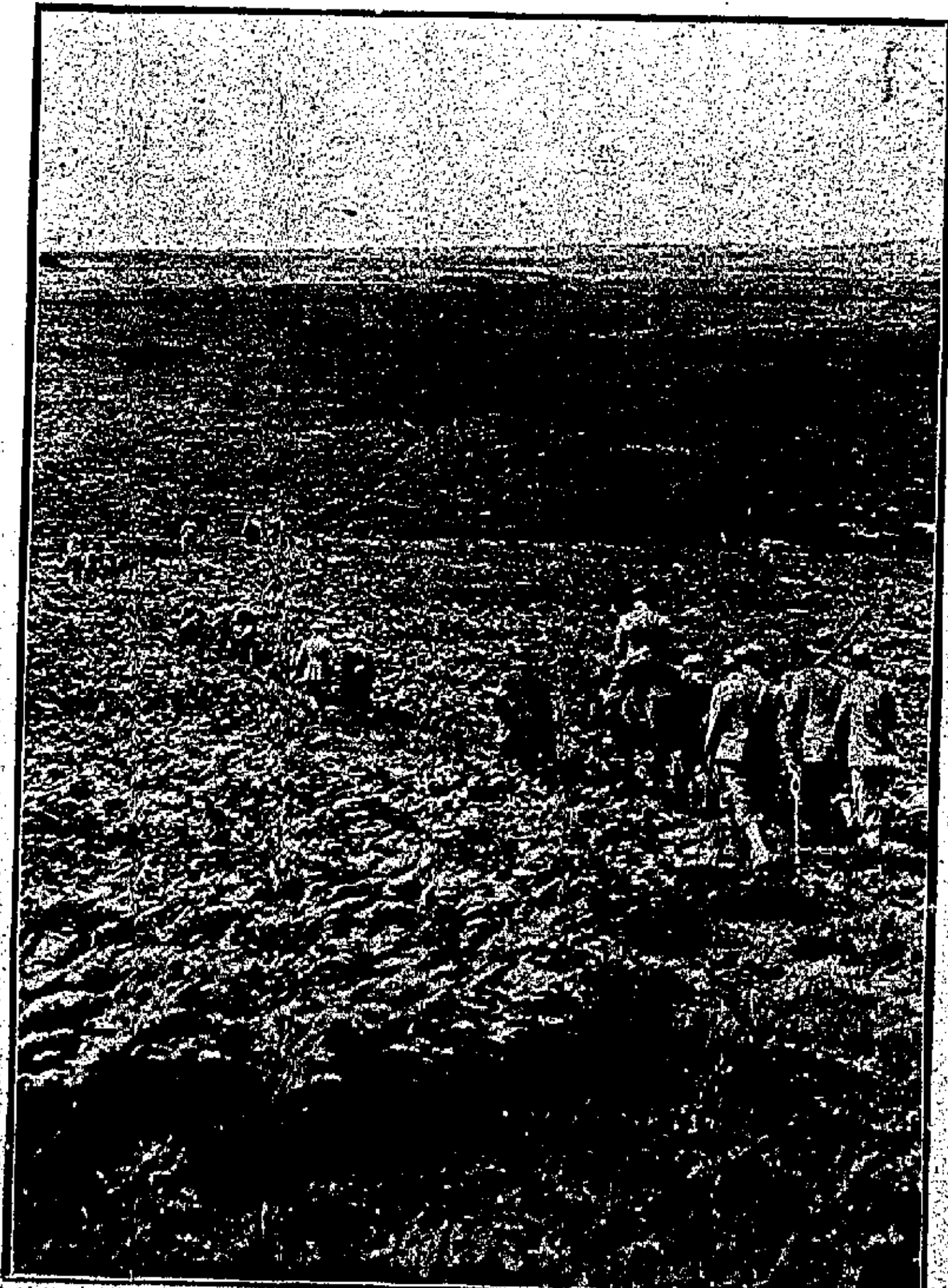
PUBLIC SCHOOLBOYS' TENNIS.—J. W. Nuthall (Repton), Betty's brother, receiving his trophies from Mrs. MacLeod (wife of the donor) after winning the open singles final.—(Sport and General).



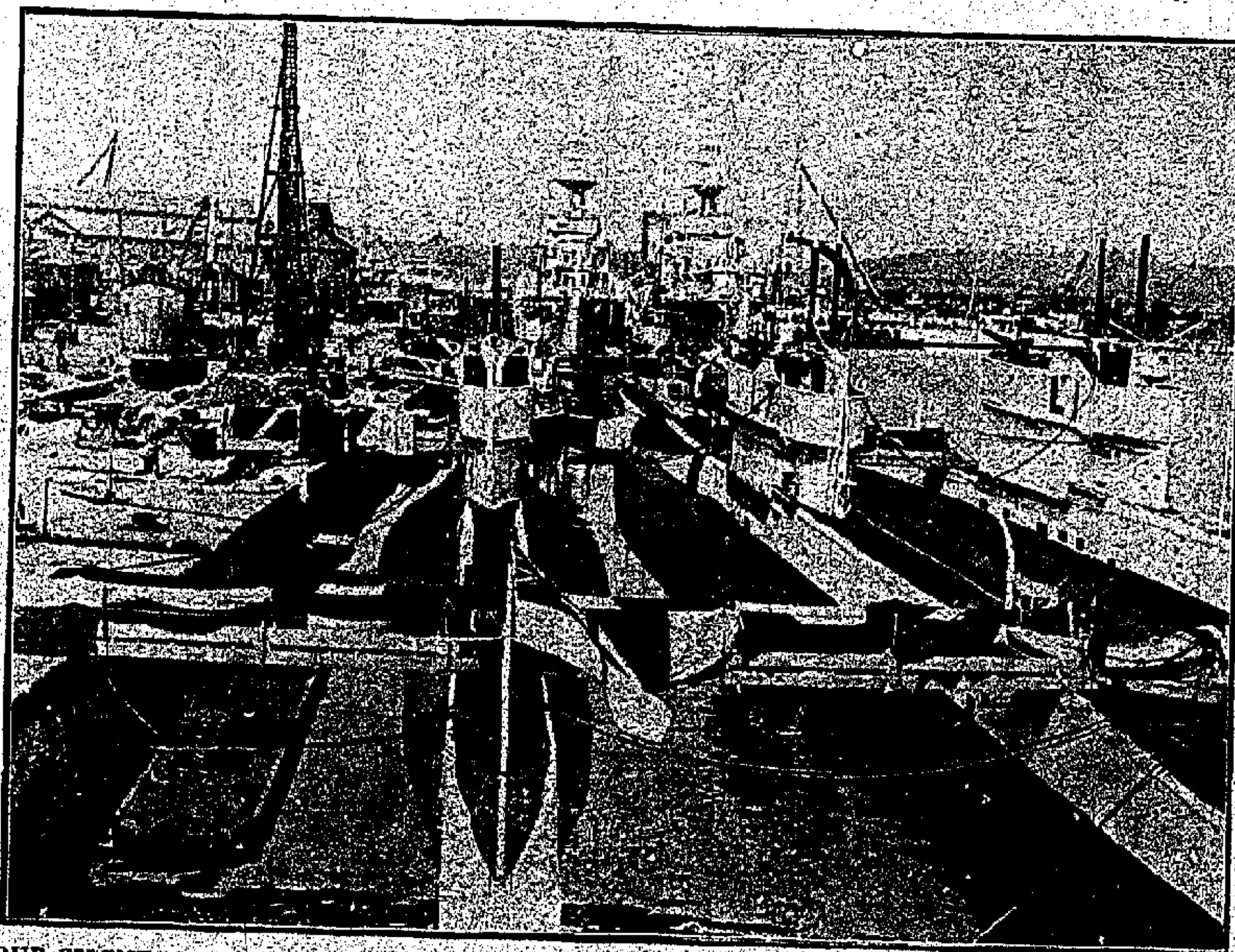
NAVY WEEK AT CHATHAM.—In foreground may be seen an exact replica of the 4th H.M.S. "Kent," a 74-gun line of battleship built at Deptford in 1762. On left is a type of modern war craft.—(Sport and General).



CHILDREN'S LAWN TENNIS DAY AT FRINTON.—Unbounded energy and enthusiasm displayed by some of the "hopefuls" as they invaded the courts for the tournament.—(Sport and General).



"THE GLORIOUS TWELFTH."—Opening of the grouse shooting season. The long trail to the fells after lunch, giving an idea of the vast expanse of the Yorkshire moor.—(Sport and General).



OUR SILENT NAVY ON SHOW.—Three interesting "Navy Weeks" have been arranged on behalf of charities at Chatham, Portsmouth and Plymouth, respectively. Here is a photo of the navy week at Chatham, being a general view of submarines in dock, of particular interest to spectators in view of the recent controversy over their suggested abolition. In background may be seen H.M.S. "Curlew" and H.M.S. "Curacao".—(Sport and General).



CITY OF LONDON POLICE SPORTS.—A fine display in lightweight catch-as-catch-can wrestling championship of England, 1929. H.E. Sansum throwing and beating his opponent.—(Sport and General).



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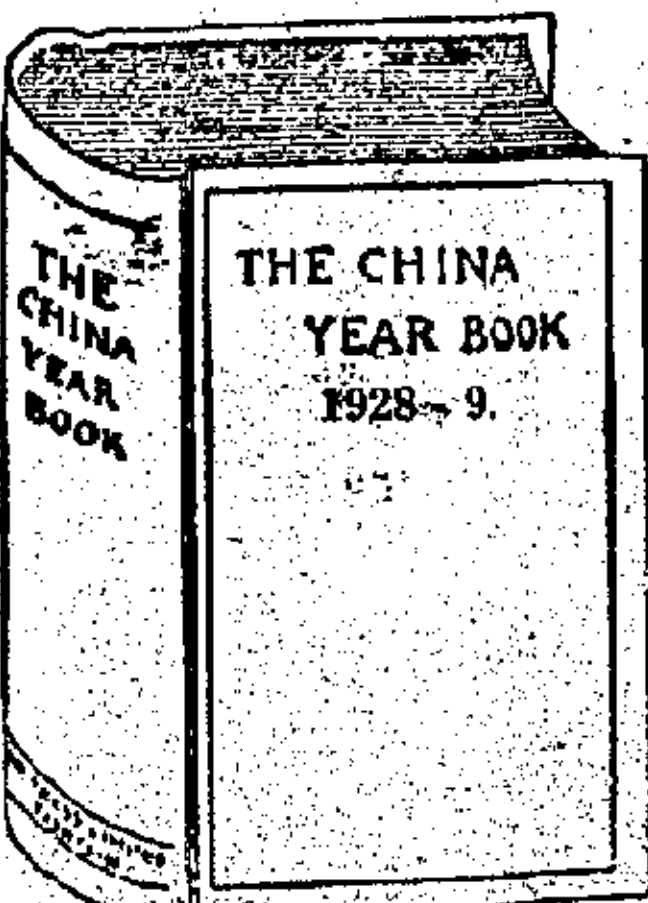
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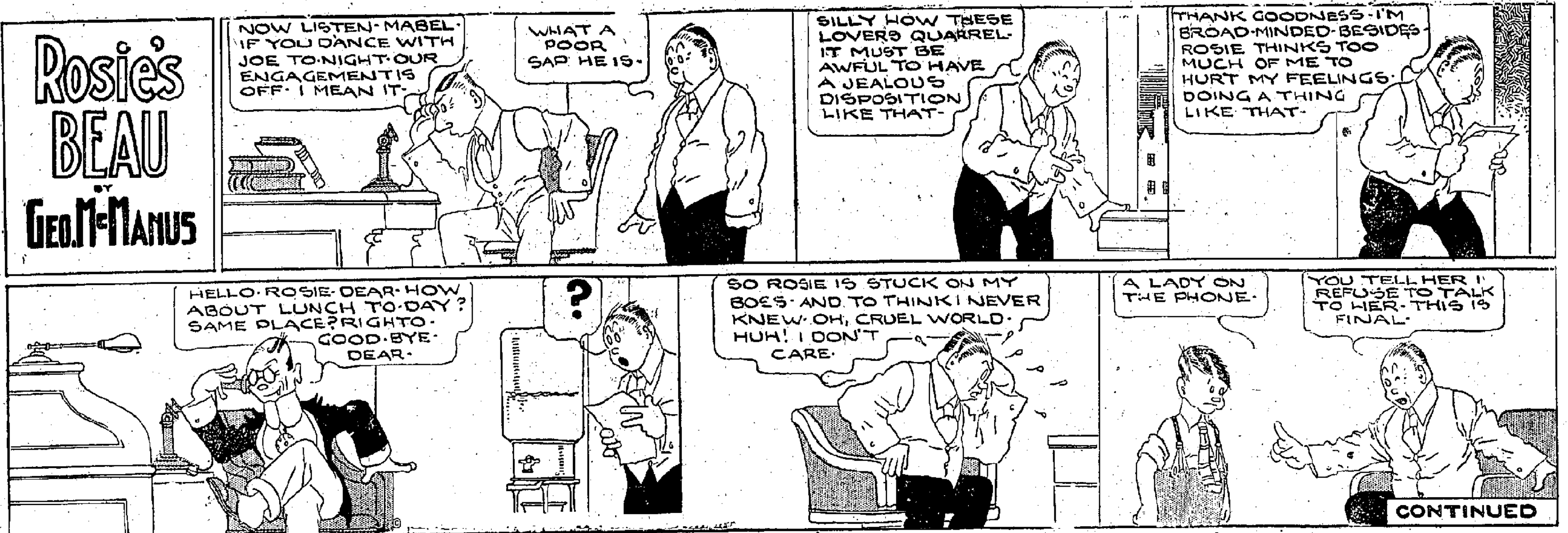


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OUR WEEKLY SERMON

Importance of Historical Element in Christianity

MODERN CHURCHMAN'S VIEWS

[By Michael Oakeshott, M.A., Fellow of Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge]

(Continued from September 14.)

In various ways, then, what may not unjustly be called the current theories of the identity of Christianity break down, and until we can find a more tenable theory to put in their place we not only lack grounds for an affirmative answer to our question, but grounds for any answer.

I cannot pretend to have a complete and unassailable theory of identity to offer you, and in place of such a theory I will venture the following by no means original suggestions. Identity, so far as Christianity is concerned, must be discovered in the facts of history, not as something unchanging, or some substance common to them all, but as a kind of qualitative sameness. Identity, so far from excluding differences, is meaningless in their absence, just as difference or change depend upon something whose identity is not destroyed by that change. It is not a matter of size or shape, or of anything so abstract as spirit or purpose; on the contrary, it seems to lie, first, in the avoidance of any absolute break in a thing's existence, and, beyond that and governing that, in some qualitative element to be discovered only by reference to the general character of the thing concerned.

A Characteristic

On this view of identity—and on no other, so far as I am aware—the characteristic of being Christian may properly be claimed by any doctrine, idea or practice which, no matter whence it came, has been or can be drawn into the general body of the Christian tradition without altogether disturbing its unity or breaking down its consistency. This means that an idea or practice may properly be Christian which, in part at least, runs counter to much that has previously been regarded as Christian. It means, also, that the identity of our religion is maintained, not in spite of, but because of, differences and changes. To apply the second and governing criterion of identity it would be necessary to come to some definite conclusion about the general character of Christianity, which is too large an undertaking for the present occasion. But the kind of way in which I should be inclined to think of it is like this. Christianity is a religion, and while it is not a characteristic of religion to remain unchanged throughout human history, it is one of its characteristics continually both to conform to and to lead what may be called the civilization or culture of its adherents. There is no religious idea with which we are acquainted which has remained entirely unchanged. To identify Christianity with its whole original state (if that could be found) or with some unchanging core (if that could be known) is to deny its nature. A religion must, somehow, represent to its believers the highest they can believe, the best they can desire.

Do Not Remain Unchanged

Such beliefs and desires do not remain unchanged, and so Christianity either is something which can maintain its identity and at the same time be the highest or any age can believe or desire, or it fails to be a religion in the full sense. And, to me, the failure of Christianity to meet the demands put upon it by present requirements would be more certain evidence of its demise than almost any alleged break in the Christian tradition. In short, the argument is this: religion is characterized by its power to give life and to give it abundantly; Christianity is a religion; and therefore it can properly be said to maintain its identity while continually admitting perhaps wholly new ideas and practices, no matter whence they come, and while continually discarding perhaps thoroughly traditional ideas and practices, so long as the modifications are effected in such a way as to cause no absolute break in the development and to comply with its general nature as a religion.

Sound Test Required

The result of my argument so far is, then, that although the belief in the necessity of the *prima facie* historical has been regarded as an important element of Christianity, we cannot assert that it is necessarily either so important as it has been held to be, or even important at all, until we have tested it by a sound theory of the identity of Christianity; and according to the theory of identity I have suggested, whether or not this belief is important to Christianity depends upon circumstances. It is, then, only by considering these circumstances that we can hope to discover any grounds for delivering a rational judgment of the value of this belief.

The value of a specifically religious idea or belief is, in part at least, to be judged pragmatically. It might be possible (indeed, I do

not think it would be difficult) to show that a belief in the necessity of the *prima facie* historical is a belief in something very much less than reality, something in itself inconsistent and therefore theoretically worthless, but such a demonstration in this place would be both frivolous and irrelevant. Religious ideas, unlike philosophical ideas, do not depend entirely for their value upon a demonstration of their ultimate truth: they have another purpose, the fulfilment of which is subject to a pragmatic test. To the philosopher, then, who should tell us that our faith in history is pathetically misplaced, we may answer that the question before us is not the ultimate reality of historical events, but whether or not a belief in the *prima facie* historical is a permanent religious need which demands some kind of satisfaction.

Apologists in Error

Those apologists, I think, are in error who say that Christianity has ever, in any ultimate sense, asserted the essential reality and uniqueness of all events and of time, for such an assertion is no part of a specifically religious belief, and Christianity is first and last a religion. But Christianity certainly has asserted a very general need for some kind of religious belief in the necessity of the *prima facie* historical, and if we may judge from the past history and the present state of our religion, this assertion is very well grounded in fact. There has been, and there seems now to be, a very general need in the religious consciousness of Christendom for this kind of belief in history. But before we use this as an argument to establish that belief as an important and even necessary part of Christianity we should, I think, consider the following facts.

Need For Belief

This belief and need for belief in the necessity of the *prima facie* historical, besides having some foundation in human nature in general, was inherited by Christianity, like so much else, from Judaism: it is what has been called "the Jewish principle of considering as the object of religious emotion a something which has occurred once for all." That, of course, is not to say that it cannot be in the fullest sense Christian, but I think it should make us more critical of it than we might otherwise be, for "gefährlich ist es, Erbe zu sein." By some means or other, perhaps through the instrumentality of Christianity itself, this belief in history has, since the eighteenth century, become part of our normal *Weltanschauung*; this peculiarly Hebrew belief, which had little or no counterpart in Greek culture, has been westernized. I need hardly offer a proof of this. The tremendous power of persuasion exercised by an historical analysis over uneducated minds was magnified in the nineteenth century to immense proportions.

Run to History

All intellectual effort had a tendency to run to history, and the reading of history became itself a means of grace and even a religion. The consequence of this is that a certain artificial and inflated demand for history and a belief in history has been created. We believe in history; it is part of our religion because it is part of our mentality. But this ideal of *wie es eigentlich gewesen* is little better than an illusion, and its apotheosis, *passetismus*, is a sign of

DR. SZE LEAVES

CALL ON GOVERNOR THIS MORNING

YESTERDAY'S RECEPTION

Dr. Sao-ke Alfred Sze, who is returning to London as head of the Chinese Legation there, called officially on H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) at Government House this morning, and later re-embarked on the N.Y.K. s.s. "Kitano Maru," on which he had arrived yesterday from Shanghai. He was given an enthusiastic send-off by his many friends and admirers in this Colony.

Dr. and Mrs. Sze were guests at the Hong Kong Hotel roof garden yesterday of the Euro-American (Chinese) Returned Students' Association.

Mr. Y. P. Law welcomed the guest of honour and said they could look upon Dr. Sze as one of themselves, and had he lived in Hong Kong, he would be there as one of the hosts instead of being a guest of honour.

The speaker said that he was a young society, with little more than two years of existence, but it had fully met their needs, and he could say that its existence had been chiefly due to the energy of Mr. K. L. Chau. (Applause.)

Dr. Sze Replies

Responding, the Minister expressed his appreciation of the warm welcome extended to him and his wife by the gathering, and said he was glad to be given that opportunity of meeting the members of the Society, in some cases renewing friendships that had been commenced elsewhere. He spoke of his last visit to this Colony made some 15 years ago.

He had brought a message of encouragement to similar student bodies at Shanghai, Tientsin and Peking, where it had been difficult to bring the various students together, except when a dance was being held (laughter). For which reason he must confess that he had expected a very small gathering that afternoon, and was agreeably surprised to find he was mistaken.

In Scotland you eat your tea comfortably round the dining-room table without having to pose it on a chair or in your lap.—Lady Kitty Vincent.

the times: history and not conscience, in these days, does make cowards of us all. But, as far as our civilization is concerned, so much belief in history seems to be working its own ruin; the intellectual energy of our generation is turning in other directions, and the power to stand on the point of the present is returning. This artificial and inflated demand for a belief in history is, then, not necessary, but the creature of a period, and when it disappears, as it seems likely to do, its counterpart in Christianity will be seriously lacking in any real contact with the normal outlook of our civilization. We should, I think, also bear in mind that the necessity for this belief has often been denied by many religious men brought up in the Christian tradition. We cannot assert that it is a need universally felt even among Christians.

No Sign of Permanence

Our conclusion, then, if I may venture to state it definitely, is that this belief in the necessity of the *prima facie* historical shows no sign of permanence or necessity. It has a long and honourable history in Christian tradition; it has undoubtedly been held an essential part of Christianity; but I can find no adequate reason for supposing that it is so. Lacking it, Christianity, it seems to me, would not lose its identity, were the modification to be effected at the demand of a religious consciousness educated in our religion. Our second question must, then, be answered in the negative.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN "CHINA MAIL"

Social Functions

To-day—Dinner Dance at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

To-day—Dinner Dance at Regatta Bay Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

To-day—Tea Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

To-morrow—Tea Dance at Regatta Bay Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

Entertainments

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "Mother Knows Best."

To-day—World Theatre; "The Mysterious Lady." (Continuous performance from 1.30 p.m.).

To-day—Star Theatre; "The Price of Honour."

To-day—Majestic Theatre; "Jimmie's Millions." (added attraction, Nina and Jacques, at 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.).

To-day—At Theatre Royal, Forbes, Russell Comedy Co., in "Good Morning Bill," 9.15 p.m.

To-day—Kowloon Football Club Concert, 9.15 p.m.

Sept. 23—Forbes Russell Comedy Co., in "By Candle Light," at Star Theatre.

Sept. 24—Forbes Russell Comedy Co., in "Her Cardboard Lover," at Star Theatre.

Oct. 21—Nelson Day Concert at Lee Theatre, 9 p.m.

Home Mail

To-day—Inward from America and ports ("President Polk").

Land Sale

Sept. 23—At P.W.D. Offices three lots of Crown land at Shamshuipo, 3 p.m.

Sports

To-day—Victoria Recreation Club Night fete.

Sept. 29—St. John Ambulance Brigade aquatic sports, King's College bath, 10 a.m.

Miscellaneous

To-day—Hong Kong Cricket Club v. "Rest of the League," 4 p.m.

Sept. 27—In the Great Hall of the University, Lecture on "The Development of Aviation in China," 8.30 p.m.

Sept. 24—Seventh general meeting of the University Art Assn., in the Union Assembly Room, 8.30 p.m.

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Following his previous gifts to the cause of education in Hong Kong and in China, Mr. Fung Ping-shan, the well-known merchant and banker, announced formally yesterday that further donations to the University of Hong Kong had been accepted by the authorities. He is giving \$100,000 for the construction of a library for the Chinese Faculty, and \$20,000 for the endowment fund of the Faculty.

Yesterday was Mr. Fung's 70th birthday, it being the 71st (and most auspicious) anniversary according to Chinese reckoning. Two of his sons, Mr. Fung Ping-wah and Mr. Fung Ping-fan, gave a reception at No. 1, Park-road, in honour of their father's happy event.

Music and refreshments were enjoyed by a constant stream of callers during the afternoon. The attendance amounted to over 200. H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) was present to offer his congratulations, as were the leading officials, residents (both Chinese and foreign) and members of the University staff.

About a year ago Mr. Fung presented \$52,500 to the University. Other donations have been made by him to the Chinese Middle School and to libraries in Kwangtung.

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Mr. G. E. Cator, of the Malayan Civil Service, returned from Home leave by the "Kalyan," on Sept. 19.

A Commission as Second-Lieut., Chinese Company, S.S.V.F., has been granted to Mr. Tan Chong-keu.

It is officially notified that Mr. George Savage has been appointed to act as Postmaster-General, Johore.

H.R.H. Prince Parachatra is returning to Siam by the "Florida," arriving at Penang about the middle of October.

Mr. J. W. Davidson, honorary general commissioner of the Rotary International, who is making a tour of the East, is expected in Kuala Lumpur.

Recent promotions and transfers made by the Secretary of State for the Colonies include Mr. R. E. Cussen (Class II, Malayan Civil Service), Deputy Legal Adviser, F.M.S.

A salute of 17 guns were fired both at Klang and in Kuala Lumpur at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, September 11, in honour of the birthday of His Highness the Sultan of Selangor.

A letter from Mr. J. H. Botelho, Vice-Consul, Shanghai, informs the Council that, having returned from leave, he assumed charge of the Consulate General for Portugal on September 3.

A Straits Government Gazette Extraordinary was issued notifying the appointment of the Colonial Secretary (Hon. John Scott, C.M.G.) as Deputy to the Governor during His Excellency's absence in the F.M.S.

The appointment of the Hon. Mr. A. S. K. MacDonald to be temporarily a nominated Unofficial Member of Legislative Council, Straits Settlements, during the absence of the Hon. Mr. G. C. Clarke, is approved by the King.

Sgt.-Major Lawrence of the M.S.V.R., Seremban, and Mrs. Lawrence will be proceeding to England shortly. Mr. G. H. Brinkley, who recently left for Johore and Mr. Lawrence, who are both members of the Negri Sembilan Club soccer team, will be entertained by the members of the Club.

Mr. C. G. Sallis, acting Inspector of Schools, Penang, will leave on October 4 by the P. and O. "Mantua" on eight months' holiday. In his absence, Mr. L. W. Arnold, at present head master of the Free School, will act. Mr. Arnold in turn will be replaced by Mr. D. W. McLeod, head master of the King Edward VII School, Taiping.

Mr. Denis A. Waring, formerly of Rubana Estate, who went Home on leave and recently married Miss Hilda Gertrude Cartwright, youngest daughter of the Mayor and Mayoress of Burnsmouth, returned by the "Mantua" and has been posted to Trans-Krian Estate, Nibong Tebal. Mrs. Waring is coming out later to join her husband.

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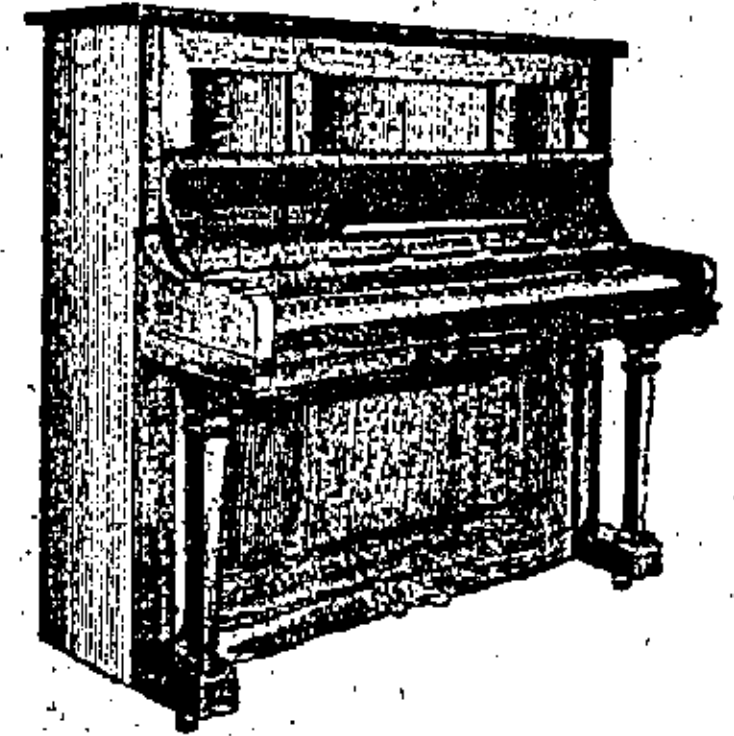
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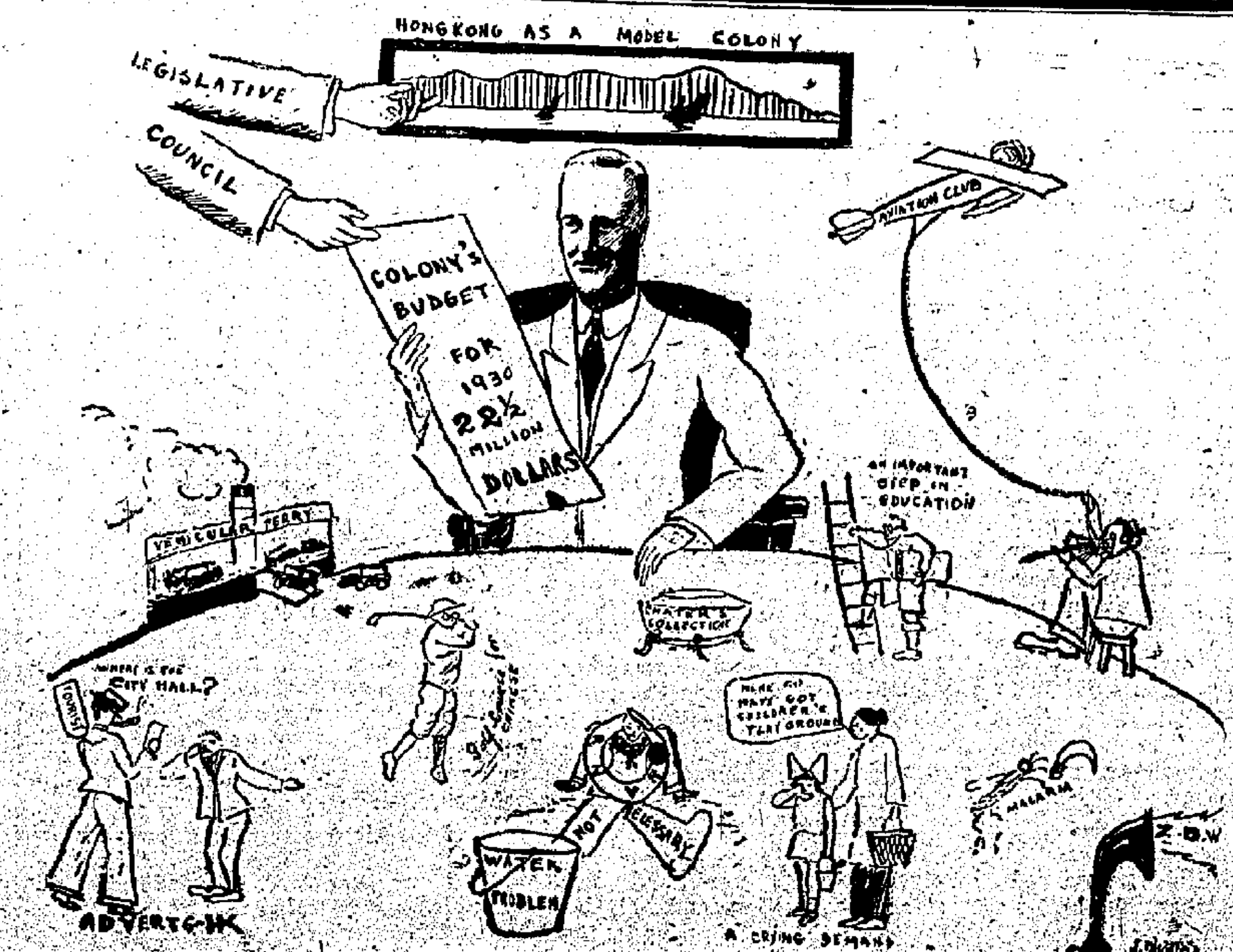
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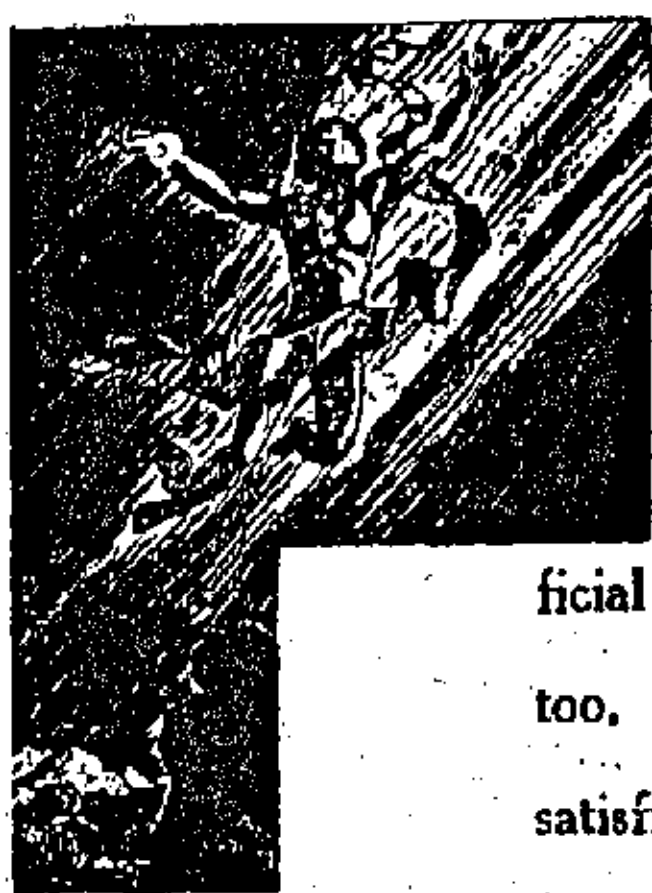


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TENNIS STARS

BRILLIANT PLAY BY STRAITS PLAYERS

CANTON OUT-MANOEUVRED

Canton, Yesterday.—At the Municipal Athletic Club yesterday, the Singapore players, Lim Bong-so and John Lim, played a brilliant doubles game against two of the Canton stars, H. C. Ma and C. M. Ho, winning by three straight sets, 7-5, 6-3, 6-2.

The two Lim out-manoeuvred their opponents in all departments of the game. Occasionally, the latter would show streaks of brilliancy, but the steadiness and fine placing of the Singapore men were too much for them. Without disparaging the play of the visitors, it must be said for the Canton pair that this was the first time they played together, while their opponents have been partners ever since their arrival in Hong Kong where they have beaten the best pair of the colony.

In the evening, the Singapore visitors were entertained to dinner at the Nam Yuan Restaurant.

Mr. Hsu Chung-ching, the acting Chairman of the Provincial Government, Admiral Chan Chak and representatives of the Chung Shan University and other athletic associations, made appropriate speeches, the general tenor of which was the warm welcome extended by the city to the overseas representatives, and the hope that this visit would be repeated in the future by other groups of athletic representatives, inasmuch as they lead to a closer union between the motherland and the overseas emigrants; and also to the encouragement and promotion of sports not only in Canton but throughout the country, which may lead eventually to China's being represented in the world's Olympic Games.

Admiral Chan Chak will be host this evening to the visitors at the Naval Headquarters. — Canton News Agency.

GOLDEN STEED

TO MAP AERIAL NAVIGATION ROUTE

LEFT FOR CANTON

Canton, Yesterday.—It will be recalled that the Yunnan plane "The Golden Steed," piloted by General Liu Fu-chuen, flew in the early part of August from Canton to Nanking, and later went from Nanking to meet the Cantonese plane "Pune Yue" at Hangchow and then together flew back to Shanghai, from where it accompanied the "Pune Yue" and other Cantonese planes to Nanking. A Nanking radio message says that "The Golden Steed" is leaving the capital on September 21 for Canton, and that after a few days here it will proceed to Yunnan, via Pakhoi, Wuchow, and Kweichow province, for the purpose of mapping out a route for aerial navigation between Yunnan, Kweichow and Kwangtung. — Canton News Agency.

POSTAL TROUBLE

JAPAN'S BREATH OF WASHINGTON TREATY

PROTEST FILED

Canton, Yesterday.—From a report made by the postal authorities, the Ministry of Communications learns that China loses \$2,000,000 annually through the Japanese establishing private postal offices in South Manchuria, which action is contrary to the Washington Treaty, and the Foreign Affairs Office has been requested by the Ministry to file a protest with the Japanese Government. — Canton News Agency.

CHINESE ROWDIES

SAILORS CAUSE RIOT IN MANILA

KNIVES AND CLUBS

Manila, Yesterday.—Two American and one Filipino Customs inspectors, and five Chinese were injured, when the Chinese crew of the British steamer "Tasalus" tried to fight their way ashore.

Two companies of military police and civilian police from the Luneta Station quelled the riot, and drove the Chinese back aboard the ship.

The trouble occurred at Pier One, where the "Tasalus" was unloading oil for the Army.

The five injured Chinese, after being treated were taken to the police station for investigation. Others were held aboard the ship.

Criminal charges may be filed against the entire crew, to the number of 30 or 40.

The trouble started when the Chinese, representing the order, prevented them from landing, attacked the Customs inspectors with knives and clubs.

No one was seriously hurt. — Reuters.

DRASTIC MEASURES

NANKING TO SUPPRESS REACTIONARIES

CHANG FAT-FUI DISMISSED

Nanking, Yesterday.—Drastic measures are being adopted by the National Government to suppress reactionary groups. The Government issued a mandate this evening dismissing Chang Fat-fui, commander of the famous Fourth Division (popularly known as the Ironsides) from his post.

Recently this division was ordered to proceed to Kweichow and Szechuan from Hupeh, but refused to obey the Government's order. It is considered probable that a punitive expedition will be sent against them.

There is a persistent rumour in the Capital to-night that Fong Chen-wu, Governor of Anhwei, has resigned, and that his resignation is already accepted. It is also stated that his troops are being disbanded. — Reuters.

ADMIRAL MEUX

DEATH OF CHINA STATION COMMANDER

DISTINGUISHED RECORD

London, Yesterday.—The death is announced of Admiral Sir Hedworth Meux. — Reuters.

[Admiral of the Fleet Hon. Sir Hedworth Meux, G.C.B., K.C.V.O., was born in July 1856. He was the third son of the 2nd Earl of Durham, and entered the Navy in 1870. He was created Captain in 1889 and Admiral in 1915. He had a distinguished active service record, and commanded the Naval Brigade at Ladysmith, in the South African War. He was Commander-in-Chief, China Station, 1908-1910, and was on the retired list in 1921.]

OPTIONAL CLAUSE

INSTRUCTIONS FOR HIGH COMMISSIONER

Australia to Sign

Sydney, Yesterday.—The Prime Minister has cabled instructions to Sir Granville Ryrie (High Commissioner for Australia in Great Britain), who is now at Geneva, to sign the Optional Clause, subject to the common British reservation. — Reuters.

WEATHER PROPHETS

REMARKABLE FULFILMENT OF SCOT'S PROGNOSTICATIONS

Dr. Alexander Buchan the Scottish weather prophet, whose centenary year is being celebrated by the remarkable fulfilment of his prognostications, is at variance with the Meteorological Office, of which he was appointed a director 50 years ago, in his estimate of today's weather, says a "Morning Post" correspondent on August 8.

If Dr. Buchan's prophecy is correct, to-day will see the beginning of the fifth cold spell of the year. If the Meteorological Office's forecast is fulfilled, the temperature will be moderate or "rather warm."

A canniness of which Buchan would undoubtedly have approved was at once assumed by an official of the Meteorological Office, of whom I inquired what weather might be expected within the next five days which the cold period covers. "The further outlook is unsettled," was the answer.

There is good reason for the official caution, for, though the first two of Buchan's cold periods this year coincided exactly with his dates, the third was two days late, and the premature scoffings of his less wary detractors were hushed in sudden confusion on the third day.

The cold spell of the next five days, however, should be followed at once by a warm spell lasting from August 13 to 15.

Of the nine periods of the year for which Buchan foretold the weather, six were cold and three hot spells. Five of these periods have been passed this year, and in each of them his predictions were justified. Apart from the cold period forecast to begin to-day, there remain two others in the year—a cold period from November 6 to 12, and a warm period from December 3 to 9.

In the eighth month of the century of his birth, therefore, Buchan stands with undiminished reputation.

A Chinese, described as a school gardener, was before Mr. E. S. Whyte-Smith at Kowloon Magistrate yesterday, charged with the theft of a grass pump, the property of Surgeon Lieut. W. C. Muir, R.N., from the Kai Tak Aerodrome. There was a second charge, and a conviction on the first charge, and allowed the charge of trespassing to be dropped. He imposed a sentence of two months' hard labour.

Twelve people, including three young children, escaped in night clothes when they broke out of an Aberdeen boarding-house.

NEW PEACE MOVE

JAPAN ANXIOUS TO OPEN NEGOTIATIONS

A BRITISH INVITATION

Tokyo, Yesterday.—Although official confirmation is not obtainable, it is learned from a usually reliable source that the Foreign Office has received a formal invitation from the British Government, through Mr. Matsudaira, to open preliminary disarmament negotiations, similar to the Anglo-American conversations, prior to convening a Five-Power Conference.

From the same source it is learned that the question was discussed at this morning's Cabinet conference, when it was decided to accept the invitation. Hence it is expected that preliminary negotiations will commence in London as soon as Mr. Matsudaira receives instructions from Tokyo.

Japan's Stipulations. Later.

The evening papers carry reports of the discussion of naval disarmament at this morning's Cabinet conference.

According to the papers it was decided that unless the invitation to a Five-Power Conference is received by the end of October, Japan will have to request that the opening of the meeting be delayed, as at least three months is required to make the necessary preparations.

The Government therefore proposes to inform London and Washington accordingly.

It is also reported that the Cabinet decided that Japan may be forced to reconsider her attitude toward the disarmament question, if the coming conference does not result in an actual reduction of armaments, as she is unwilling to be a party to any agreement resulting in armament expansion. — Reuters.

TRAINED RESERVES

CANADA OPPOSES SACRIFICE OF LIFE

DEBATE ADJOURNED

Geneva, Yesterday.—At the resumption of the debate on Viscount Cecil's Land Disarmament Resolution, the Scandinavian delegates supported his view that the disarmament problem must be dealt with without delay. The Polish delegate opposed the resolution.

Sir George Foster emphasised that Canadians, like Americans, were absolutely against the use of life in settling international disputes, therefore they supported Viscount Cecil.

The debate was adjourned.

Paris, Yesterday.—The newspapers again express their displeasure at Viscount Cecil reviving the question of the inclusion of trained reservists in the computation of armed forces. — Reuters.

EMPLOYMENT IN U.S.A.

A chart prepared for the "Bulletin" of the Industrial Commissioner of New York State traces the course of employment for over ten years in New York State factories making "producers" and "consumers" goods. "Producers" goods are principally building materials, iron and steel mill products, and pulp and paper manufactures. "Consumers" goods are mainly goods sold over the counter, such as food and clothing. Since the depression of 1920, it is pointed out, employment variations have been less severe, and of the same general description in each group. The consumers' group employing the majority of workers, appears to have controlled the situation, leading first with the producers' group following. "In the last analysis," the "Bulletin" says, "this would always be true, since the only market for the producers' group is the consumers' group, and this latter group will place orders only as the public buys. Both groups show seasonal fluctuations, but on the whole, the curves have flattened out with succeeding years."

"Manufacturers," the writer proceeds, "have made a definite effort to stabilize production. Instead of leaving sales to chance, they have estimated very carefully the demand for their products and have established sales quotas. The result is that the output of factories making producers' goods now coincides with current demand almost as well as that of factories making consumers' goods. Furthermore, the tendency toward more uniform factory output has done a great deal to maintain the purchasing power of the public. With steady employment, the consumer demand varies only a little, and this may be the controlling factor."

The chart seems to indicate that fluctuations in employment are becoming much less violent in all manufacturing industries.

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MONEY AND SHARES

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

On London—	
Bank, wire	1/10 3/4
Bank, on demand	1/10 13/16
Bank, 30 days' sight	—
Bank, 4 months' sight	1/11
Credits, 4 months' sight	1/11 3/4
Documentary 4 months' sight	1/11 7/8
On Paris—	
On demand	117 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight	125 1/2
On Berlin—	
On demand	46 1/4
Credits, 60 days' sight	47 1/4
On Bombay—	
Wire	127 1/4
On demand	127 1/4
On Calcutta—	
Wire	127 1/4
On demand	127 1/4
On Singapore—	
On demand	81 1/4
On Manila—	
On demand	92 1/2
On Shanghai—	
On demand	84
30 days' sight (private paper)	—
On Yokohama—	
On demand	96
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael)	—
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	10.15
Silver (per oz.)	23 1/4
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	—
Kong	3% dis.
Copper Cash	Nominal
Copper Coins	3% prem.
Rate of Native Interest	7% p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin	25% dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin Par.	—

CHURCH NOTICES

A CHARGE OF ONE DOLLAR IS MADE FOR ALL NOTICES UNDER THIS HEADING

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL HONG KONG

Sept. 22, 17th Sunday after Trinity
Holy Communion, 8 a.m.
Holy Communion at Peak Church, 8 a.m.

Military Service, 9.30 a.m.
Children's Service, 10 a.m.
Peak Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Matins, 11 a.m.

Preacher: Rev. H. V. Koop.
Evangelism, 6 p.m.
Preacher: The Dean.

Special Notices
At Evensong the Lord Bishop will license the Rev. L. N. Watkins to be Assistant Chaplain at the Cathedral in charge of St. Peter's Church.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST.

[Branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., U.S.A.]
Macdonnell Road, below Bowen Road Tram Station.

Sunday Service, 11.15 a.m.
Subject: "Matter."
The Sunday School is held on Sunday mornings at 10 o'clock.

Wednesday Evening Meeting at 5.30 o'clock.
Reading Room at above address open.

Tuesday and Friday 10 a.m. to 12 Noon.
Monday and Thursday 5.30 to 7 p.m.

The Public is cordially invited to attend the service and visit the Reading Room.

NEW PADRE

WELCOMED AT ST. PETER'S CHURCH
REV. L. N. WATKINS

A large number of members of St. Peter's Church gathered at St. Peter's Young Men's Club house last night to welcome the Rev. L. N. Watkins.

Among those present were the Very Rev. A. Swann (Dean of St. John's Cathedral) and the Rev. M. V. Halward.

The Dean said that he was glad to see so many of the congregation present to welcome Mr. Watkins, and to show that they wanted to help him.

Mr. Watkins was a native of New Zealand, and the congregation would probably find out before long that he was proud of his country. After working for several years in the Government Service, Mr. Watkins was ordained, and went to Leeds, England.

An Opportune Time
Mr. Watkins had come to Hong Kong at an extraordinarily opportune time, as the Rev. N. V. Halward was due to go on leave within a year; the Rev. A. H. Quick had left for Shanghai, Mr. Carpenter was out at St. Stephen's College at Stanley, and this Rev. C. B. Stann was busy at Kowloon.

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T.T. on London

T.T. on Shanghai

Banks
H.K. Bank ... \$1245 b 1240/45 sa
H.K. London Reg. ... \$131 n
Chartered Bank ... \$137 b
Mercantile A. & B. ... \$132 n
Mercantile C. ... \$134 n
P. & O. Bank ... \$134 n
Bank of East Asia ... \$134 n

Insurance
Canton Insurance ... \$637 b 640 sa
Union Insurance ... \$648 b
North China Insurance ... \$160, h
Yangtze Insurance ... \$160 n
China Underwriters ... \$2 n
China Fire Insurance ... \$310 b
H.K. Fire Insurance ... \$750 b 760 sa

Shipping
Douglas ... \$27 1/2 n
H.K. Steamboats ... \$25 1/2 sa
H.K. Tugs & Lighters ... \$46 s
Indo-Chinas (Pref.) ... \$70 s
Indo-Chinas (Def.) ... \$70 s
Shell Transports (old) ... \$100/- n
Shell Transports (new) ... \$22 s
Union Waterboats ... \$22 s

Mining
Benguet ... \$335 b
Kailan Mining Ad. ... \$26 n
Langkats (comb.) ... \$113 b
Langkats (single) ... \$113 b
Shanghai Explorations ... \$15 b
Raubs ... \$9 1/2 n
Tronoh Mines ... \$21/- b

Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.
H.K. Wharves ... \$135 b 137 sa
H.K. & W. Docks ... \$334 n
China Providents ... \$470 b
[434/80 sa

Hongkew ... \$181 n
New Engineerings ... \$181 n
Shanghai Docks ... \$145 b

Cotton Mills
Ewo Cottons ... \$21.35 b 21.60* sa
Shanghai Cottons (old) ... \$104 n
Shanghai Cottons (new) ... \$76 n
Zooing Sings ... \$112 n

Lands, Hotels & Buildings
H.K. & S. Hotels ... \$345 b
[940/45 sa
H.K. Lands ... \$61 b 61 1/4 sa
Shanghai Lands ... \$160 n
Humphreys' Estates ... \$1410 b
H.K. Realities ... \$735 b
Chinese Estates ... \$98 s
H.K. Territorials ... \$—
Prince's Buildings ... \$—

Public Utilities
H.K. Tramways ... \$18.20 b 18.35 s
[18.10 / 20 sa
Peak Trams (old) ... \$11.80 n
Peak Trams (new) ... \$6.05 n
Star Ferries ... \$37 b
China Lights (comb.) ... \$—
China Lights (old) ... \$12.05 b 12.15 s
China Lights (new) ... \$12 1/2 sa
China Lights 1928 issue ... \$12 1/2 sa
H.K. Electric (old) ... \$62 b
H.K. Electric (new) ... \$62 1/2 sa

Macao Electric ... \$23 b
H.K. Telephones ... \$7.05 b x d
China Buses ... \$115 b
Singapore Tractions ... \$11/-
Singapore Pref. ... \$20/- b
Sandakan Lts. ... \$2 1/2 sa

Industrials
China Sugars ... \$95 cts. s
Malabon Sugars ... \$27 n
Canton Ice ... \$2 1/2 b
Cements (comb.) ... \$3.30 b 3.40 s
Cements (old) ... \$7.76 b
Cements (new) ... \$3 1/2 b
H.K. Ropes (old) ... \$7.35 b 7 1/2 sa
H.K. Ropes (new) ... \$7 1/2 sa
United Asbestos ... \$5 b

Stores, &c.
Dairy Farms ... \$19.90 n
Watsons ... \$11.90 b
Der. A. Wings ... \$80 cts. a
Lana. Crawford ... \$134 n
Mackintoshes ... \$18 b
Sincere ... \$12 n
Wm. Powell ... \$24 s

Miscellaneous
H.K. Amusements ... \$25 1/2 s
H.K. Constructions ... \$140 s
B. Ind. G.S. Bonds ... \$64 1/2 n
H.K. Govt. Loan ... \$84 1/2 n
Caldbeck Macgregor: Ord. \$11 b
Caldbeck Macgregor: Pref. \$10 b
* Sales to Shanghai.

OPIMUM TRADE

MASTER OF A CHINESE JUNK ARRESTED

An attempt to smuggle a large quantity of illicit opium into the Colony has been frustrated by Revenue Officers at Taikoktsui.

A large junk of Chinese registry which had arrived from Wuchow with a declared cargo of ore was searched and after all the ore had been removed, the opium was found concealed in the bottom of the junk.

The drug seized comprised 2250 taels of raw and 60 taels of prepared opium grown in Wuchow.

The master of the junk was arrested. He was formally charged at the Central Magistracy yesterday and remanded until Tuesday morning when the case will be heard.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and Signor Mussolini are virtually two peas from the same pod.—Mr. George Young, M.V.O.

Drive a Trusty

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the Motor that never lets you down

Sport Columns

POLO MATCHES

SOMERSETS AND GUNNERS WIN YESTERDAY

LADY STUBBS' CUP

Two more matches in the polo tournament for the Lady Stubbs' Cup were played at the Polo Ground, Causeway Bay, yesterday afternoon. Both were keenly contested and resulted in narrow victories.

The Somerset Light Infantry defeated the Typhoons by two goals to one, and the same score gave the Gunners victory in the other match in which their opponents were the K.O.S.B. "B."

MR. S. ISAACS

INTERPORT CRICKETER PASSES THROUGH

Cricketers will be interested to learn that Mr. Sam Isaacs, the Shanghai Interport bowler, passed through the Colony yesterday on the "Colenz." He is proceeding home on long leave, and does not expect to be back in Shanghai before May, 1930. He will be missed in the approaching interport contest, for as a left hand bowler he had been a source of worry for Hong Kong's batsmen in the more recent matches.

He will be perhaps most remembered by his innings on the Club ground a couple of seasons ago, when he helped Shanghai to win after Hong Kong had apparently got the game well in hand.

RACING

Winsome Star, Glorious Stag and Richmond Stag were among the China ponies returned from Shanghai by the s.s. "Chinhua." They belong to the local "Stag" racing stable, of which Mr. Chan Tin-sion and Mr. Rafeek are principals. Thunderbolt, owned by Mr. Wong Ping-sun and trained in the "Stag" stable, was also sent back on the "Chinhua."

LAWN BOWLS

The second interport practice game will take place on the Civil Service Green at 3.30 p.m. to-morrow.

The teams will be:—
J. Lalig, R. Bass, A. W. Grimmit, and J. Ferguson.
F. Cullen, R. Taylor, A. O. Brown, and S. Gray.



The only trophy presented by His Royal Highness on the continent of America, the Prince of Wales Cup, was the prize offered to golfers who competed at the Banff Springs Course, from September 3 to 6. Competitors were mainly drawn from among those taking part in the unique golfers' tour of Canada, sponsored by the "Canadian Golfer," which started out from Toronto on August 12 and went to Victoria and return. On the outward trip the tour stopped over at Winnipeg, Jasper and Vancouver and the return journey was by the Canadian Pacific scenic route through the Rockies via Revelstoke and Field, motorizing to Lake Louise and Banff and resuming the train trip through Regina, Winnipeg and Fort William, arriving back at Toronto on September 11.

THE OLD SPORT

CRITICAL OUTLOOK FOR BOXING

"LEMON PICKING"

The old sport of boxing seems likely again to enter upon a critical period. The prize-ring expired in a blaze of rather ill-informed glory after the Savory-Ireman fight and a generation passed before Sullivan and the grove-fighters brought boxing once more into prominence. Peter Jackson, an exceedingly well-behaved man, did much to restore the prestige of the Ring, but, to speak frankly, boxers did not stand high in public estimation until shortly before the war, when the advent of Bombardier Wells and Carpenter introduced a new type to Britain. I can remember the time when the police in many towns objected even to the showing of fight-pictures, and a match between Driscoll and Moran was stopped by their intervention. At that time the attendance at boxing matches, except at the National Sporting and one or two other clubs, was almost entirely confined to racing men and general riff-raff. The war completed the process, begun by Wells and Carpenter, and boxing ever since has occupied a position which sometimes seems strange to those of us who are old enough to remember a very different state of things.

Yet, notwithstanding the great shows at the Albert Hall and elsewhere, attended by the Prince of Wales himself, professional boxing as at present conducted is, in the least, of very doubtful legality. This is perfectly well known to the gentlemen who have for some time past been endeavouring to establish a Board of Control, and this is one of the reasons why the old rule of 20 rounds for a championship contest has been altered to 15 rounds. At the present time the Board are trying hard to bring about law and order in British boxing and every well-wisher of the sport must hope for their success. They have not had a very good press, partly through their own fault, and some of their rulings have been misrepresented. For example, their objection to the uncontrolled importation of foreign boxers has been misunderstood. Actually, it will have an excellent effect in preventing the "lemon picking" which I regret to say has been a favourite pastime of some prominent British boxers.

Futile Matches

Their managers have habitually made matches for them with Continental boxers who had no possible chance with them; men of a class which would not have drawn a single spectator if they had been British and known to the public. The Board are also tackling another important matter: the reluctance of "Champions" to meet challengers, except under conditions which do not involve the title. At present the difficulty of the Board's position is that many prominent boxers, promoters, and managers are waiting events before taking out licenses under the Board. It is fervently to be hoped, however, that the Board or some similar body will soon attain a position equal, say, to that of the Football Association, for there are several dangers ahead.

The most serious, in my opinion, is the growing rowdiness at boxing matches. This has, in some instances, reached the stage of actual fighting, almost amounting to a riot, while threats to referees, boxers and their seconds have occurred far too often. It often happens that a section of the spectators come only to see their own man win, and the betting element has its inevitable effect. Rowdiness will have to be put down with a strong hand, and licensees refused to promoters who do not take the necessary steps to have this done. Otherwise the question of the illegality of boxing is sure to be raised.

Another matter which may give trouble is the question of Sunday boxing. This has become a regular institution, notably in London and the Birmingham district, though it exists elsewhere. There are, of course, various opinions as to Sunday games and sports, and I only mention it because any disturbances at Sunday shows will necessarily focus a strong, though possibly mistaken body of opinion against boxing.

The inevitable result of the war has been a reaction against militarism, and with this reaction has come an agitation against so-called "blood-sports" which is quite likely to involve boxing. History shows that boxing has been more liable than other sports to an ebb and flow in popularity. It is for its friends to see that the inevitable ebb does not leave it stranded.

U.S. BOXING

ATHLETIC COMMISSIONER TO BE APPOINTED

SUPREME AUTHORITY

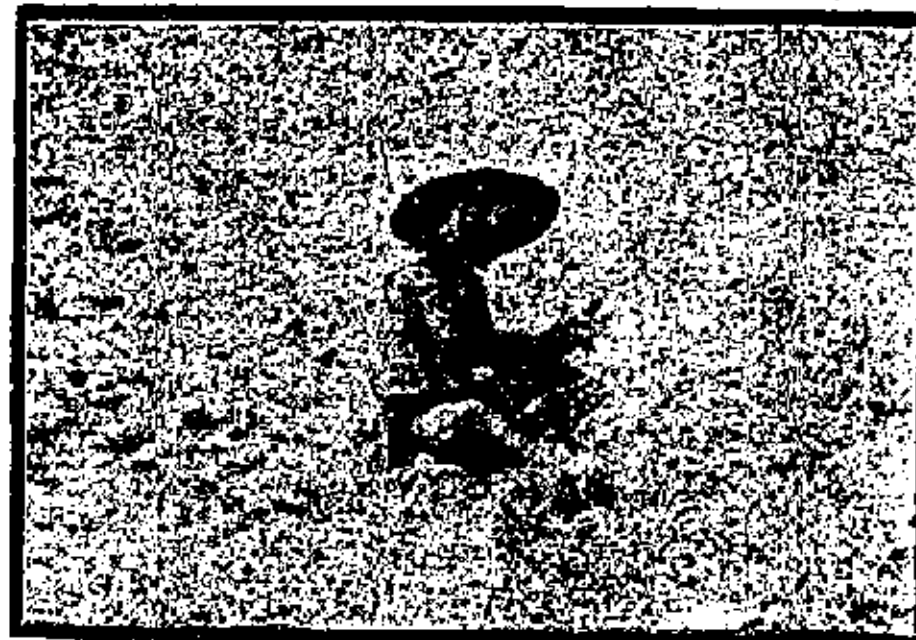
A boxing commissioner, to have supreme authority over the static industry similar to that exercised over baseball by Judge Kenesaw M. Landis, will be appointed before the first of the year.

The New York state athletic commission, which controls boxing in this state, is sending out feelers to the commissions in other states where boxing is conducted on a large scale, and there is little doubt that agreement will be reached upon the appointment of a "czar" of the boxing profession.

No attempt will be made to establish the commissioner in a national capacity. He will be recognized by those states in which boxing flourishes, such as New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Illinois and Michigan.

No better move could have been made to stabilize the business of fist-fights. It represents a concession on the part of the New York commission which has advanced the proposition. It will may prove to be the most important step yet taken in the advancement of boxing.

W. F. Carey, president of the Madison Square Garden, is the man who advanced the suggestion, which was adopted by the New York commission. That Carey should have proposed such a move speaks eloquently of his sincere



interest in the welfare of boxing. He knows, as every one else does, that if the Garden corporation chose to do so, it could ignore the edicts of boxing commissions and remain the supreme authority in boxing.

GENE TUNNEY

MAY BECOME AN AUTHOR SHORTLY

James J. (Gene) Tunney, who turned from the prize ring after winning the world's heavyweight championship, may try his hand at creative work in the literary field, it was intimated by Mrs. Edwin S. Dewing, sister of the former champion's wife, the former Mary Josephine Lauder, of Greenwich. Mrs. Dewing returned to West Hartford recently after a two-month visit with Mr. and Mrs. Tunney at Brioni, Italy.

"He is, of course, very interested in literature and spends a great deal of his time reading," said Mrs. Dewing. "It may be that some day he will put something down that he thinks is good, and show it to a publisher."

"But he wouldn't care to do any writing unless it is good," she insisted, adding that "he is the type of man who doesn't care to do anything unless he does it well."

CLUB BLAZE

GUESTS KILLED IN DETROIT FIRE

LEAPED FROM WINDOWS

Detroit, Yesterday. Guests in the dining room on the second floor of the Study Club cabaret were unaware that a fire had broken out in the basement, until clouds of smoke invaded the room.

The diners stampeded, jamming the narrow staircase and leaping from windows.

Sixteen were killed, and 40 seriously hurt. The building was destroyed.—Reuter.

MODERN SCIENCE

IS IT DEFECTIVE AND CHIMERICAL?

PHYSICS AND MECHANICS

In the remarkable series of Gifford lectures, delivered in 1898, the late James Ward suggested that some of his audience might live to see "a second intellectual reformation in which the mechanical ideal of modern science will be proved in its turn to be defective and chimerical." This courageous forecast made, as it remembered, in the days when most physicists claimed that the ether of Faraday and Maxwell was the one entity of whose existence we could be certain and that all physical phenomena were due to perturbations thereof, has received a really astounding fulfilment in the Gifford lectures delivered by Professor A. S. Eddington, at Edinburgh University in 1927, and recently published in book form. In these fascinating and suggestive, but inevitably unsatisfying, lectures Professor Eddington observes that "nowadays we do not encourage the engineer to build the world for us out of his material, but we turn to the mathematician to build it out of his material." Objection may, perhaps, not unfairly, be taken to the implied discouragement of the engineer, since it at least seems desirable that mechanism should be pushed as far as it will go. Lord Kelvin was, we believe, perfectly correct in his contention that physics was intelligible only when phenomena could be represented by a model; when this

(On left).—Plea for playgrounds — A Hong Kong "kiddie" enjoying himself on the sands of a beach bathing beach. During the Budget debate this week, Sir Henry Pollock and Mr. J. P. Bragan both advocated more funds for children's playgrounds in the Colony. The Government will reply on Monday.

is impossible, phenomena may still be calculable but they cease to be intelligible. The engineer, moreover, has always to convert his calculations into structures or machines, but the mathematician is under no such disability, and thus he was for long content to regard light as the vibration of an elastic solid, oblivious of the fact that a spherical wave front in which the vibrations were everywhere in phase and everywhere transverse to the direction of propagation is inherently unthinkable.

Logical if Unintelligible
A material wave front of this kind could not be continuous over the surface of a sphere, and had the engineer had to deal with this matter he might quite possibly have foreshadowed a quantum theory of light. Indeed, this objection probably holds equally even if we replace the distortions of an elastic solid by electric and magnetic displacements. It seems physically inconceivable that any wave front thus constituted can be continuous over a sphere, though the mathematician has no difficulty in treating it as such, but it is only when displacements are normal to the wave front, instead of transverse thereto, that this front can be pictured as a closed surface. The mathematician has, in fact, the advantage that he is content to be logical even if unintelligible, and being restricted by no considerations of common sense is at liberty to multiply explanations as freely as were explanations multiplied by those at whom William of Occam directed his famous "razor." Thus Professor Eddington notes that whilst the wave mechanics of Schrodinger give an astonishingly true representation of the properties of the hydrogen atom, each electron, however, requires for its representation on this basis, the whole of three dimensional space, so that to represent along the same lines the properties of an atom with two electrons, it is necessary to go into space of six dimensions, and every additional electron requires three more dimensions of space.—"Engineering."

K.F.C. CONCERT

CAPITAL PROGRAMME FOR TO-NIGHT

WHAT ABOUT THE WEATHER?

Those who attended the last concert given by the Kowloon Football Club will no doubt welcome the news that a similar treat will be given to-night. The programme arranged for this evening is a capital one; several local favourites are down to give a turn, but the only fly in the ointment is the weather. Jupiter Pluvius is none too kindly disposed up to the time of writing, and unless the rain is called off in time, it is feared that the concert will not be held. But we all hope for the best.

The Programme

PART I.
The Symphonic Jazz Gang.
The Misses Hind—Duet
"A Desert Song."
Mr. Oscar Eager Humour.
Mr. G. McLeod—Song Selected.
The Misses Fie and Nellie Field.
"A Glimpse of Jazz."
Dick Barty and a Piano.

PART II.

Mr. Symphonic Jazz Gang.
Mr. V. C. Labram "Nuff Said."
Mrs. G. McLeod—Song Selected.
Mr. H. Mussen and his Banjo.
Mr. and Mrs. G. McLeod in selected duets.
The Gang will finish.
God Save The King.
Accompanists: Messrs. R. Baldwin, A.T.C.T., and A. Spary.
Stage Manager: Mr. L. A. Jeeves.

SIND FLOODS

LOCAL DONATIONS FOR RELIEF FUND

The Secretary of the Sind Flood Relief Committee offers through the "China Mail" his sincere thanks to all the generous donors who have subscribed the following donations, for the Sind Flood sufferers and makes a further appeal for donations in aid of this most deserving cause.

The following donations are acknowledged with deepest gratitude:
Wassiamull Assomull & Co. \$ 101
O. K. Gidumal and Watomool 51
Pohoomull Brothers 51
K. A. J. Chotimal & Co. 51
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Verhomal Shewaram & Co. 51
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Mr. Karachand Rochiram 51
Mr. Gidumal Lilaram 51
Mr. Watomool Jhamandas 51
Jhurai Company 25
T. Jaramdas & Co. 20
Liberty Silk Store 25
Mr. F. T. Melwani 20
Mr. S. Vahraj 10
Mr. B. R. Subhramani 25
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The day of seeing visions and dreaming dreams is not yet passed.—Mr. George Lansbury.

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LADIES AT LAW

MRS. R. T. MATHESON SUES
MRS. THOMPSON

PUISNE JUDGE'S FINDING

Mrs. R. T. Matheson, proprietor of the boarding house known as "Flowerburn," Stubbs-road, successfully sued Mrs. B. Thompson, Alexandra-building, in the Supreme Court (Summary Jurisdiction) yesterday.

Mrs. Matheson's claim was for \$255, being \$300 board and lodging (less \$35 received on account) for Mrs. Thompson, two children and a nurse, for one month.

The dispute was as to whether Mrs. Matheson agreed to Mrs. Thompson leaving on a certain date. Mrs. Matheson, plaintiff's daughter, gave evidence. Mrs. Thompson, who conducted her own case, called her business partner, Mr. C. J. Church, as witness.

Claim Reduced

The Puisse Judge (Mr. Justice Wood) observed that such matters were difficult to decide, but he found it impossible to believe that Mrs. Matheson intended to release Mrs. Thompson as the latter had stated. If she did so she was getting no additional benefit. Mrs. Thompson had tried to operate her view of the contract to allow herself the liberty of changing her boarding house at any time and he could not imagine that Mrs. Matheson made that contract.

Mr. T. G. Bennett (plaintiff's solicitor) said that Mrs. Matheson was prepared to subtract \$70 from the claim, the usual allowance for people who did not take their meals in the house, which would reduce the claim to \$185.

His Lordship assessed damages for breach of contract at \$195 and gave judgment in this sum, with costs.

Health is the most unhealthy of topics.—Mr. G. K. Chesterton.

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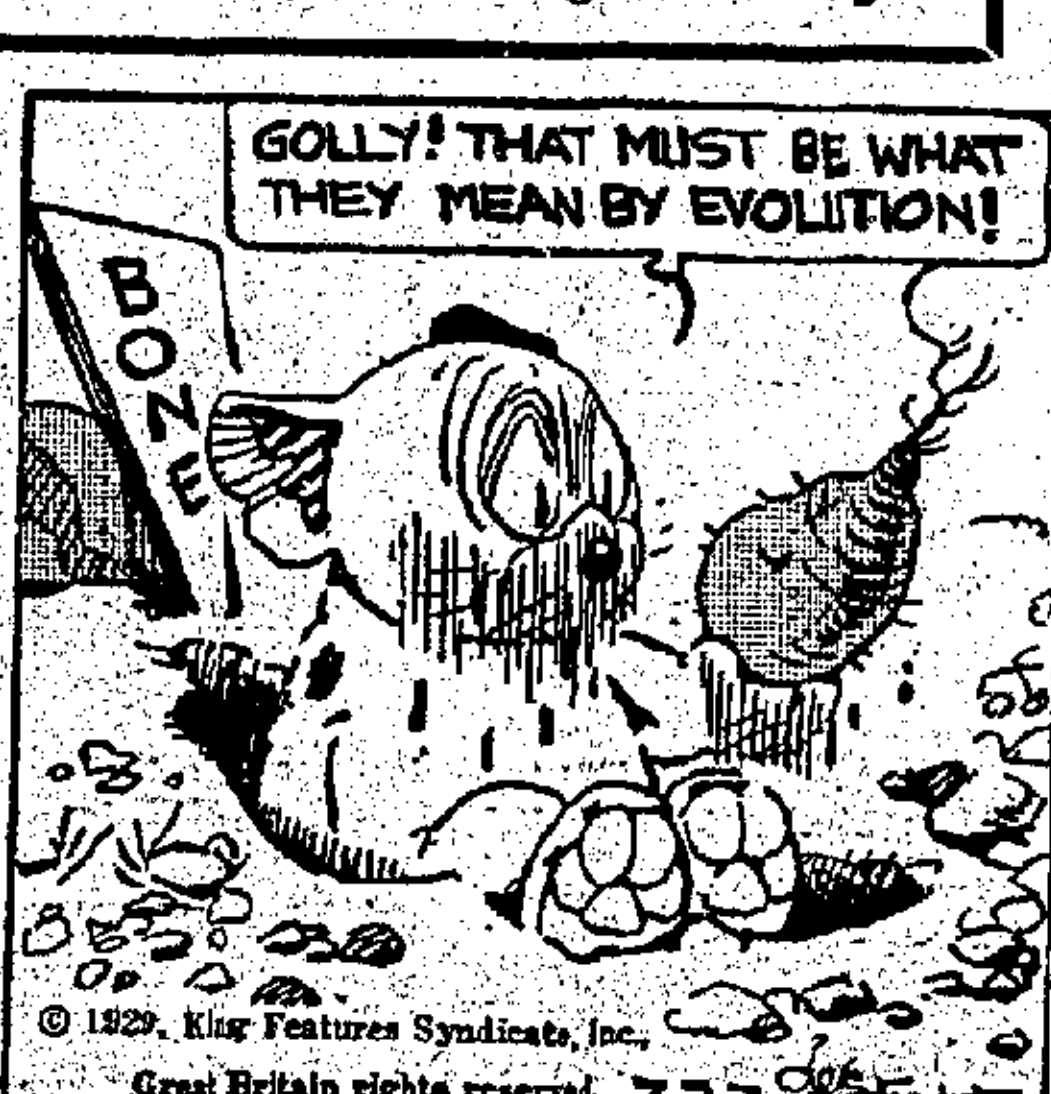
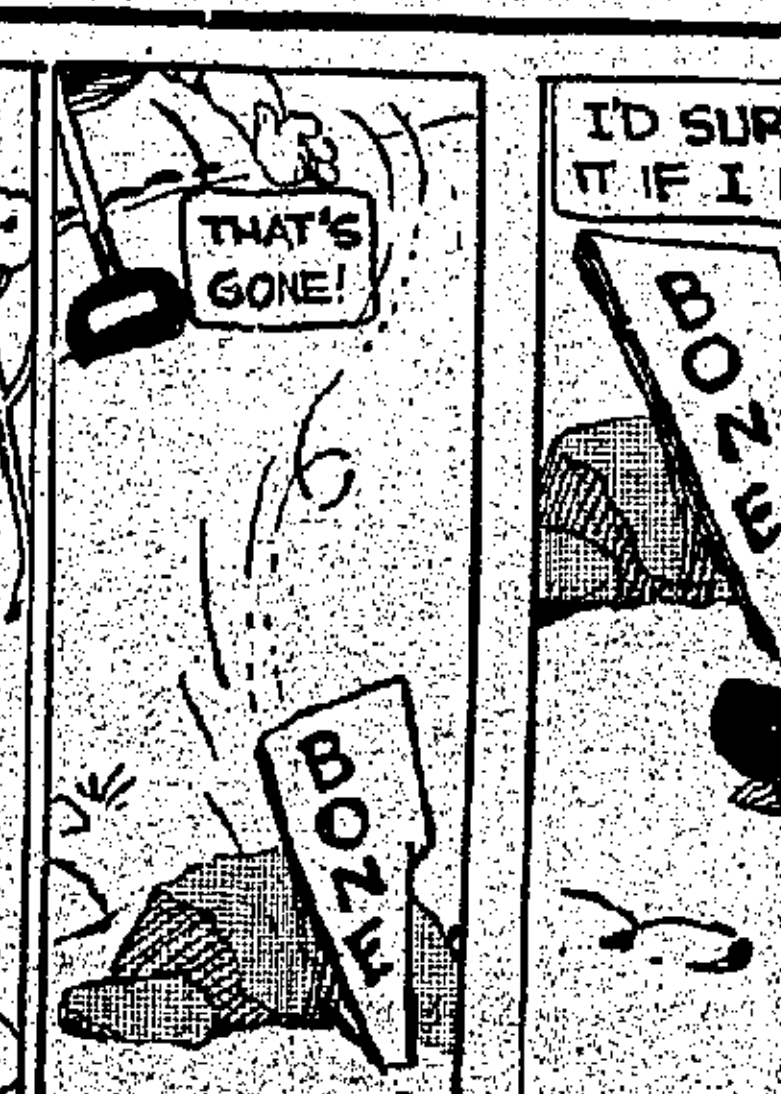
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Red Cross in China



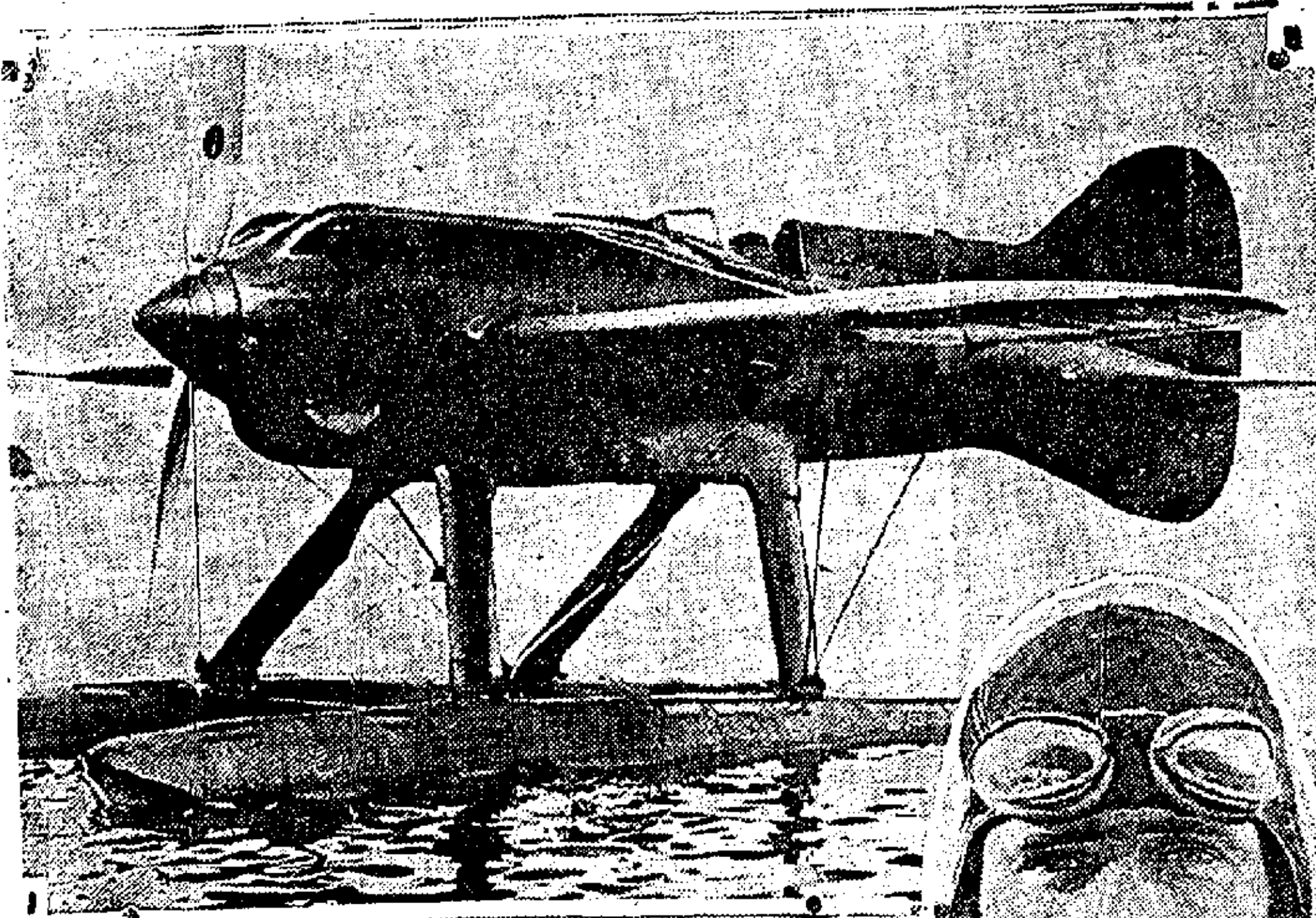
In honor of Colonel Ernest P. Bicknell, Vice-Chairman of the American Red Cross and Chairman of the Red Cross Commission to China, and the Commission, a reception was given in Shanghai by several Chinese organizations, including the Chinese Red Cross Society, the Sino-Foreign Famine Relief Association, the Chinese Government Famine Relief Commission, the White Cross Society, and others. Above is a flashlight photograph taken at the reception.—(Ah Fong).

Diplomatic Hostess



With the appointment of Senator Walter Edge of New Jersey as Ambassador to France, Mrs. Walter Edge, above, becomes the youngest hostess of an Embassy in a major capital. She was married in a brilliant ceremony to the Senator in 1922 at which Calvin Coolidge with others of the official Washington family attended. Mrs. Edge is aged 27.

'Plane Shrouded in Mystery



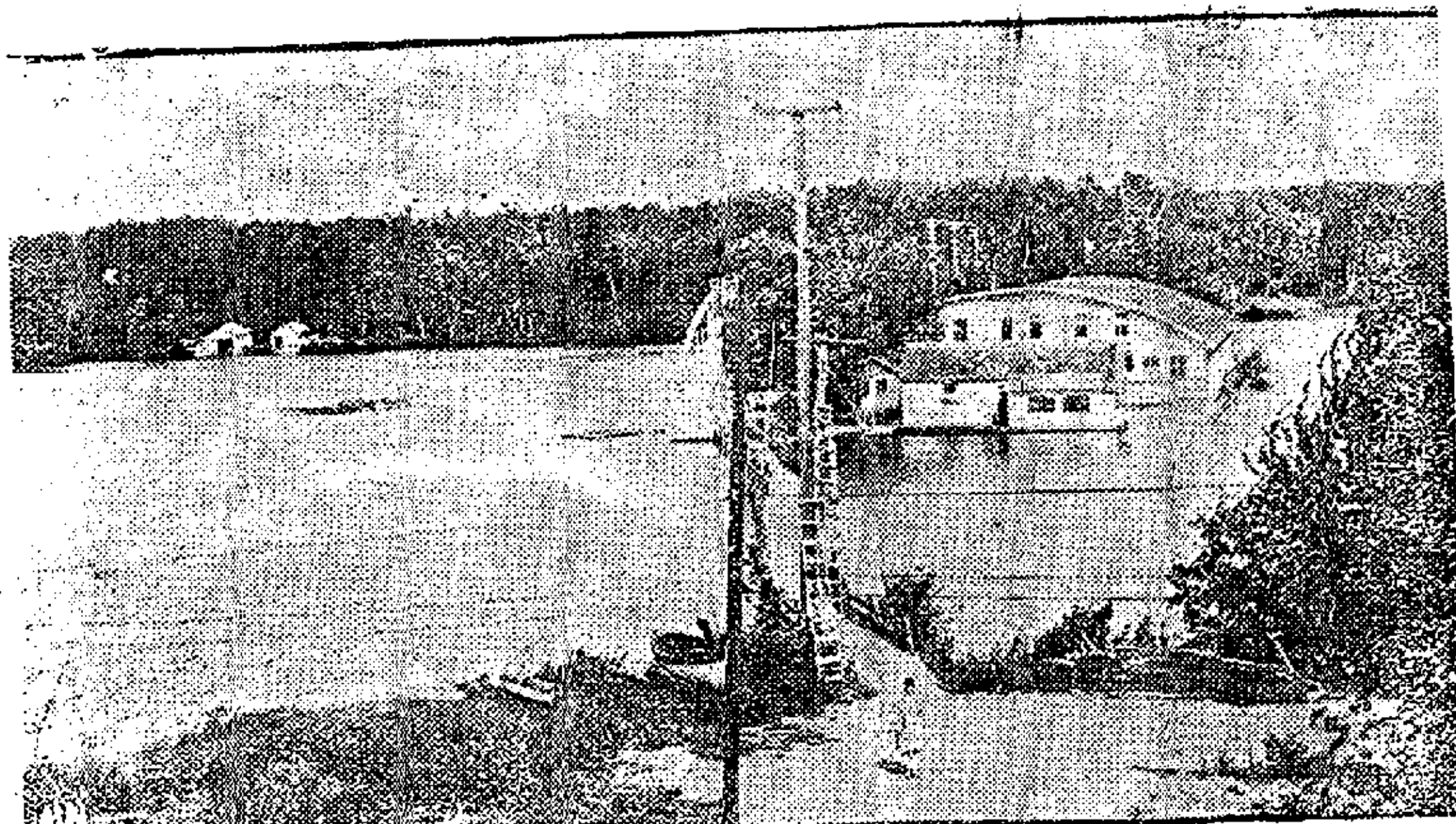
The new navy mystery 'plane with Lieutenant J. Williams, the speed demon of the Navy (inset), at the controls. So much secrecy has been maintained by the Navy Department as to the construction of this airbird, that little is actually known about it. Those close to Lieutenant Williams, however, predict it will fly 400 miles per hour and that it would be America's entry in the Schneider Cup Races—but it was not!

Wants Film Name



Even though marriage will soon change Marian Nixon's legal name from Marian Elise Benjamin to Mrs. Edward Hillman, Jr., "soon" isn't quite soon enough for her. Miss Nixon has filed a petition to substitute plain "Marian Nixon" for the name which reminds her of Joe Benjamin, her former husband.

Wants Lonely Island



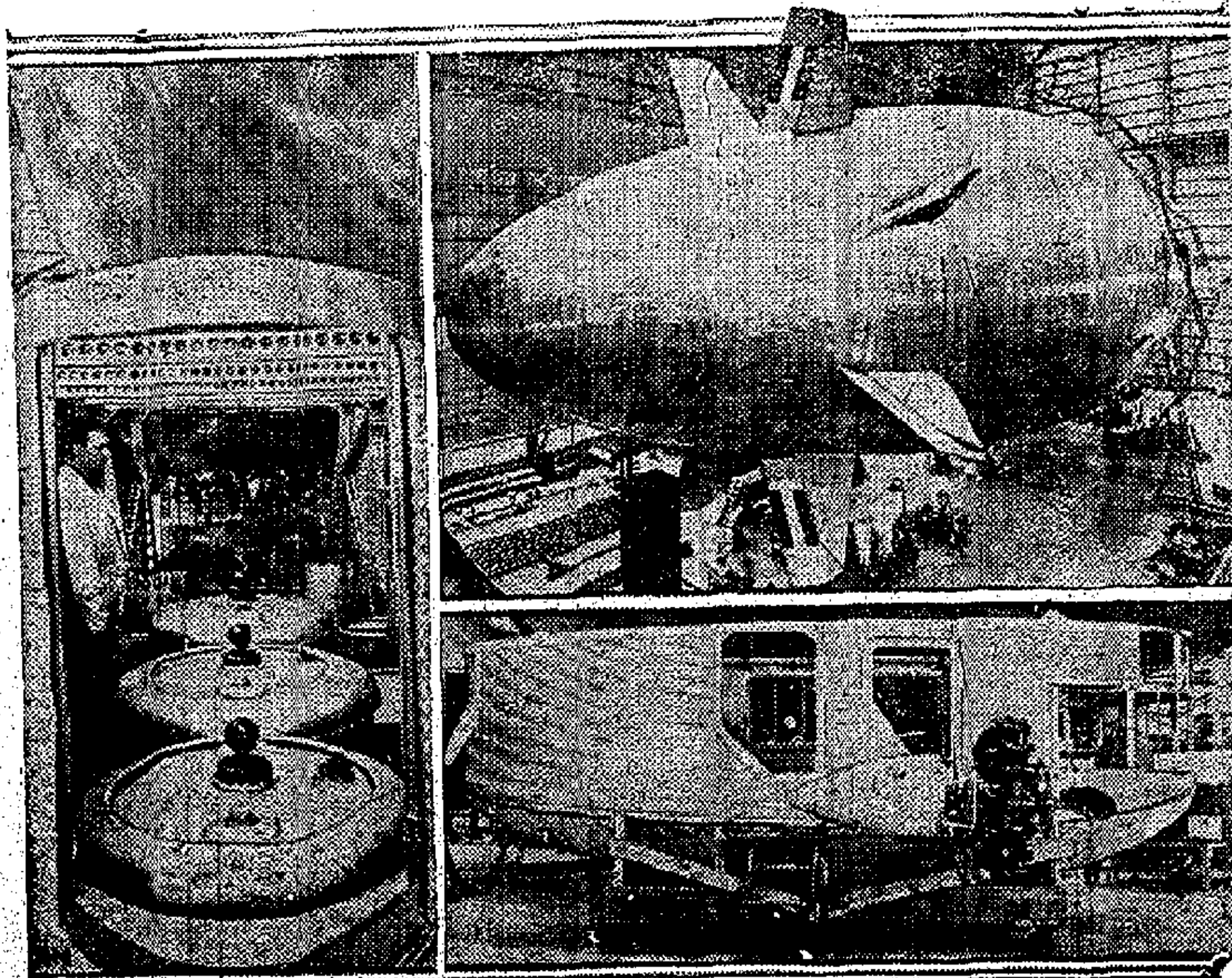
Being the involuntary guest of the city of Philadelphia hasn't diminished Al "Scarface" Capone's interest in outside affairs. His latest ventures seems to be in the direction of real estate since he is reported to have purchased Dennis Island, above, in Spread Eagle Lake, Iron Mountain, Mich. What the reputed king of Chicago gangland can possibly want with a lonely island is causing considerable speculation.

Seeks Missing Husband



Her husband, missing since he went aboard the private yacht owned by John M. Heath, wealthy engineer to investigate a violation of the navigation laws, Mrs. Carrie Sandlands, above (shown with her 10 months old baby), wife of Richard P. Sandlands, below, Federal Prohibition agent at Detroit, Mich., is frantically searching for him. According to reports, Sandlands disappeared in the swift currents of the Detroit River when he and Heath fell overboard during a struggle aboard the Heath craft.

Metalclad Navy Dirigible



At the left are gas tanks and control room of the ZMC-2, first all metal-clad dirigible built for the U.S. Navy. This craft differs materially from any other lighter than air ships ever made, and will be used by the Navy for observation and training purposes. Upper left hand illustration is a view of the stern of the new ship showing stabilizers, which resemble shark fins. The lower right hand picture is another view of the cabin.

Reported Better



Dorothy Knapp, famous stage beauty and star of the late ill-fated musical comedy, "Florretta," has been confined in St. Luke's Hospital in New York suffering from a mysterious illness. Reports from the hospital state Miss Knapp is improving, but throw no light on the nature of her affliction.

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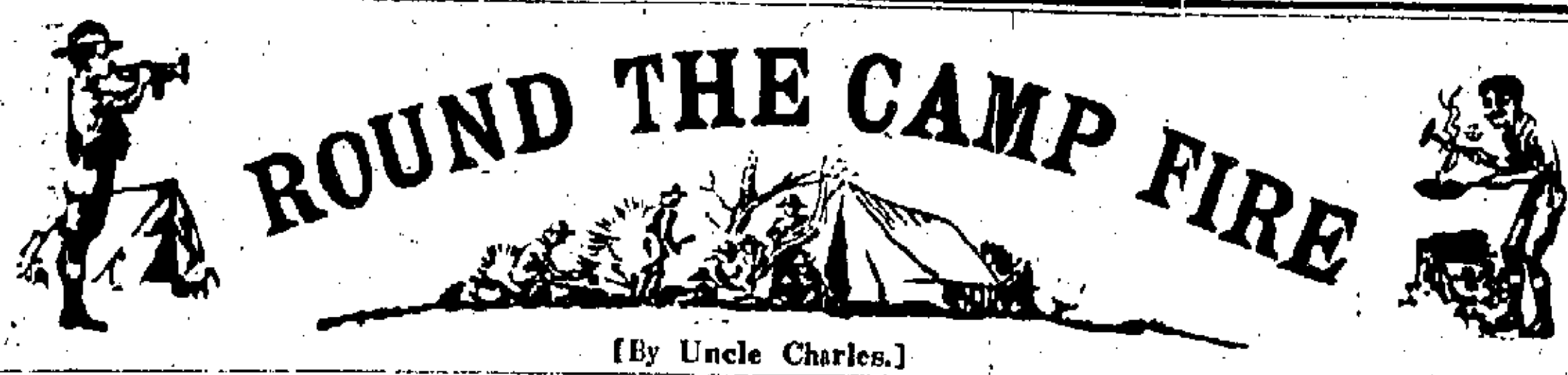
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My dear Nephews and Nieces,
The following is the continuation of the article published last week, in which you will read the treacherous reply of our Chief to those who think that our Movement is a military one:

"If we look forward we can realise that the two million Scouts and Guides in existence to-day represent another million who have passed through the training, and that they are the prospective fathers and mothers of the next generation. They will, therefore, be bringing up some two or three millions more of boys and girls within the next few years on much the same line of thought and action as their own."

"Thus we have a wonderful opportunity and a great responsibility. We must shape our training with the right vision so that we shall not be content merely to have smart Troops and temporary success, but we must be sure that the highest ideals have been actually inculcated and that the boys and girls really bring a Christian spirit into their daily life and practice; that they overcome selfishness with service, and that they substitute goodwill and co-operation for the too prevalent state of narrow patriotism and jealousies. In this way our Movement will be helping in tangible manner to supply the international spirit of goodwill which is needed to give the soul to the existing form of the League of Nations."

"That the League itself recognises this is shown in the following significant and carefully weighed passages from the Report of the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly of the League of Nations."

"The Boy Scout and Girl Guide Movement is not one of those new, unknown or little known movements in the case of which it is desirable to await the results they may produce before recommending them for consideration and support to public opinion and the various governmental organisations. Founded before the 1914 war, the Movement had, even at that date, a very considerable number of adherents throughout the world. To-day it includes more than two and a half million young people of both sexes in every continent and in every land—and it continues to prosper."

"The Fifth Committee was of the opinion that, in recommending the Assembly to invite the various governments to grant the assistance requested, it would not be asking for support for some feeble undertaking which is destined to disappear. The Assembly is being asked to take under its protection a movement which is full of life and which is inspired by ideals, the noble and lofty character of which is not contested and whose usefulness is undeniable from the point of view which is of special importance to all of us here, the point of view of world peace."

"Therefore, it is not only necessary, but actually indispensable that this Movement should receive every support and assistance."

"It should not be forgotten that the thoughts and feelings of the younger generation are an important element in forming the conscience of humanity, a pure and healthy element freed from all prejudice, rancour, and memories poisoned by hatred; an element of enthusiasm and generous sentiment."

"For that reason we should assist the international movement on behalf of the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides, a movement which, by the constant exchange of visits, by camp life, by games played, and by happy days spent together, during which the young people get to understand one another, increases from day to day their feelings of comprehension, respect, and love for their neighbors, whatever may be their language, race, or continent."

Uncle Charles.

Sincerity CANDID CONFESSION OF A PATROL LEADER FOLLY REGRETTED

This week I received a confession from a Patrol Leader of the 16th Hong Kong (Catholic Cathedral Group), in which he sincerely regrets not joining the Scout Movement earlier. He, like many other boys, had a silly antipathy against the Movement and had seized upon every opportunity of making fun of Scouts. However, I am glad to say that he soon realised his folly, and to-day he is a full-fledged Patrol leader. His "confession" appears below:

It is a great pity I did not join the Scouts earlier because at that time I thought nothing of the Scouts at all. In fact I was always against them and in school, whenever there was a coup against them, I could always be counted in it, and together with my pal I have always made things unpleasant for them. I used to tease them by shouting out "Left turn, right turn." At that time I did not think that someday I would be saluting them officially as a Scout and obeying the orders of the Scoutmaster's "Left and Right turns."

One day I was with my pal when we met a Scout who was younger than I. At once I started teasing him. While I was doing so, a party of Scouts came up but, instead of giving me a hiding, as I expected, one of the Scouts (who was the classmate of my pal) invited us up to see a parade. At first I was reluctant to go, but on second

Girl Guides' Grotto

ASKING WHY

Reflection is one of the things which make the sensible person different from the stupid. It means a "bending back," or a turning; people who reflect (bend back) their thoughts, turning them round instead of letting them race on to something else. In a well-known phrase, they turn things over in their minds. Reflection is apt to put the question "Why?" to almost everything in life; and we can ask ourselves few more useful questions. The very first question a sensible person asks oneself is, "Why am I living?" No one can have an interesting mind who does not ask himself or herself why there are such things as a world, existence, and why are we here. Ask a man who is grooming a horse why he is doing it and he will be able to tell you. Ask a man why he is winding a clock, and he will be able to tell you. But ask a stupid person why he is living, and he will stare at you and think you mad for asking him such a question. Yet is it not madness to be living without a reason, without an object? Apply this to yourself in education. Why are you being taught lessons? Have you ever thought this out? It is the first question you should ask yourself. It is a question which decides your happiness at lessons and your pleasure when you are grown up. Education does enable people to earn money, but that is its meanest use. Education is the effort of the soul to understand its surroundings; it is the desire of the mind to know things. You are being educated so that you may enjoy your life. Education is opening your eyes to the beauty and wonder of the earth; it is preparing you to understand the wonders of creation. It may seem hard to you now that so many bright hours are spent over grammar books, but when your mind is mature you will see how enormously those lessons contributed to your happiness. Education is fitting you for your place. Without education you must live in this majestic Universe as a pig lives in its sty. Only through education can you obtain the power to enjoy the highest pleasures of life, the pleasures of the mind. Education is for your pleasure.

The Cubs' Corner

KITE-MAKING

A kite can be made of either paper or calico. The former is lighter, and flies better, but calico would last much longer.

The paper kite is really the most useful to be recommended, especially if you are going to make your own, and it is not to be very large. The tail of a kite should never be less than twelve times the length of the kite, and the tail papers should be tied by nose knots at intervals of two or three inches. The use of the tail is to steady the kite, and keep the kite's head to the wind. If there is any difficulty in getting a kite to rise, the tail has probably been made too heavy, and if the kite is inclined to dip and plunge it has been made too light, and may be weighted with a stone.

By fastening one kite to the back of another, and starting the second kite as the first one was started, and so on, two three or more kites may, with a favourable wind, be sent to a very good height.

HANDS ACROSS THE SEA

Have you a chum in another country? How would you like to correspond with a Brother Scout or a Sister Guide abroad?

I want to help you to know friends who are thousands of miles away or may be within a stone's throw of your own town.

If any Scouts or Guides would like to have a pen friend, please communicate with me—Uncle Charles, c/o "The China Mail"—and I shall be glad to help you.

A Simple Trick

This little trick is very easily performed but before your audience arrives you must do a little preparation. See that your trick is performed on a table that is covered with a cloth, and under this cloth place a match-stick.

Now call your audience in, and challenge any one of them to balance an ordinary tumbler on its rim. Of course, no one will be able to do this, and probably they will challenge you to do it yourself. Just like the tumbler and stand it on its rim so that it is really leaning on the match that is hidden under the cloth, and you will find it will balance.

FROM THE CHIEF TO YOU

Trygo — Don't Be Down-Hearted

"NEVER SAY DIE"

(By Earl Robt. Baden-Powell)

"Can any of you tell me what was the name of the horse which won the Derby?"

That is the question which I put to the Scouts and Guides at a big rally in Belfast the other day; and would you believe it—they all answered, "Trygo."

Then I asked if they knew where he came from. They all knew that; he came from Belfast.

When I asked whether he had been expected to win they said, "No, the betting had been 33 to 1 against him."

I remember, very many years ago, when I first went to school, the horse which won the Derby was called "Blue Gown." I don't know the horses that have won since then, but Blue Gown has stuck in my memory; and, as I told the Ulster Scouts, I hope that the name of Trygo will stick in the memory of all Scouts as the horse which won the Derby against heavy odds in the year of the Scouts' "Coming-of-age" Jamboree.

Among you Scouts who are boys to-day there are some who by working hard and hopefully will very likely rise to be great men, but to every one of you, whether you rise to be great or not, there are certain to come times of worry and jobs that are difficult.

It is then that I want you to remember the horse Trygo; how he had a difficult and almost hopeless task before him to beat a whole crowd of other more promising horses, yet he wasn't downhearted, he acted up to his name, he had a "try," he had a "go" at the job—and he won!

So when things look difficult for you don't chuck up the job as hopeless, don't even merely sit down and whistle, but, whistling and smiling, have a try at it—have a go, and you will probably succeed.

You need not wait till you are grown up, you can begin now to find difficult jobs to tackle. For instance, if you are a Tenderfoot there's your Second Class Badge to try for and to go for and to win. If you have already done that, don't be content to remain Second Class; that sounds too much like being second-rate. Try for your First Class Badge, go to it determined to win even if there are 33 difficult subjects to be learnt. And you will win!

There are probably 33 other fellows in your Troop. Only one can be the best all-round Scout among them. There you are. Make up your mind that you are going to be that Scout. It is 33 to 1 against you, like it was against Trygo at the start. But don't let that daunt you—have a try, have a go, and you will win.

Then there is the King's Scout Badge, with lots of difficulties about it, but they can all be overcome if you make up your mind to overcome them. So come on! Have a try! Have a go at it! And wouldn't it be a triumph if you went one further and celebrated the Jamboree year by winning the Cornwall Badge? It can be done if you work for it. I should like to invest you with it at the Jamboree.

Think of Trygo. Have a try—have a go!

Some Good Turns
I have seen a good many hundreds of people of late, and almost every one of them has had some Good Turn to tell me that has been done by Boy Scouts. And that must mean, of course, that there are hundreds of thousands of these Good Turns being done every day by Scouts—and am I not glad to hear it?

People whose motor-cars have broken down, people who wanted to know the way, ladies crossing streets, men lost in a fog, children who had strayed, farmers with broken fences or wandering cattle, all write thanking me for what Scouts have done to help them.

Well, Scouts, by doing these little turns you are doing a big thing. People are beginning to look upon boys not as sneaking imps of mischief, but as manly, helpful fellows who can be relied upon to assist them in any difficulty or danger. "Try" to help all you can and "go" on showing them what you are made of.

I heard of a Good Turn done by some of our brother Scouts in Sweden when I was there some years ago. When the Troop was coming together for parade, one of the Scouts came to his Scoutmaster in some distress and asked leave from parade to go and see his mother, who was lying ill in hospital. Of course the Scoutmaster let him go, and the Troop went out for Scouting in the country.

Before the day was over, one Scout after another came to the hospital with bunches of flowers, which they had collected for the mother of their comrade. There were so many flowers that the matron of the hospital was able to put a number of them in other wards to please the patients.

In another case, I heard of a drunken man who was staggering and falling about the street, a dirty and disgraceful sight at any time, but in this case particularly so, because a lot of sneaks (I can't call them boys) were jeering at him and throwing mud at him. A Patrol of Scouts happened to come along (as they always seem to do when their services are needed), and the leader, seeing what was going on, at once took charge of the helpless fool, finding out where he lived, he made his Patrol support him off to his home.

Ceylon Boy Scouts

The Boy Scout authorities speak in the "highest" terms of the Dominion and Colonial contingents at the International Jamboree.

The Ceylon Scouts are described as "the cheeriest and most Scouty" of the contingents.

During the Jamboree they conducted a most attractive shop, bringing Ceylon wares to the notice of English visitors.

The Indian camp, with its gorgeous entrance, Malabar huts, etc., also attracted considerable attention.

A number of the Indian officers



"Hi Ho Everybody!"—H.R.H. the Prince of Wales is shown here conversing with Sir Robert Baden-Powell (left) as he acknowledges the cheers of the Boy Scouts from many lands at the International Scout Jamboree at Birkbeck, England.

On The Sick List

LET'S GO AND CHEER THEM UP

I learn with regret that four of our brothers are on the sick list, and I hope that all of you, and particularly the Scouts of the 2nd Hong Kong (St. Andrew's Group) have been and are still paying them visits in order to cheer them up.

Scoutmaster R. Dormer is laid up with typhoid and is at the Victoria Hospital.

Scout Tony Sanh is suffering from malaria and is confined in his residence at Saifoo Terrace.

Scout Wm. Chan has malaria and he lives at the Orient Building.

Scout Gumburg is also suffering from malaria and you can find him at Homannin.

These four unfortunate brothers of ours belong to the St. Andrew's Group, and if you remember to do your good turns you will not fail to go and cheer them up. I fervently wish them all a speedy recovery.

will undergo a course of training at Gilwell Park, which it is hoped will have an effect on the standard of Scouting in India.

The health of the camp was marvellous. Notwithstanding rain and mud, the boys' spirits were very high and there was never any suggestion of adopting the emergency arrangements to utilize neighbouring schools.

thoughts I went

Inspired

I saw the Scouts formed into a horseshoot and I found out afterwards that it was an Investiture Parade as a boy was about to be enrolled in the Great World-Wide Brotherhood of Boy Scouts. The new member happened to be the boy I had been teasing. The Scoutmaster, after enrolling him, explained to him the Scout's Law. I was very much impressed by this and I really felt ashamed of myself.

A week later my pal had joined the movement and asked me to arrange a friendly football match between our team and a team representing the Scouts.

A date was arranged but when the match was due to start four of our players were absent. The Scout team very kindly offered two of their players to assist us. During the whole match the very sportsman-like display of the Scout team made me feel ashamed of what I had done to them before and I made up my mind then and there to join the Brotherhood. Ten days later I was duly enrolled and not until I had joined them did I find what a nice thing it is to be a Scout. We are all alike, rich or poor, white or black. In my opinion there is nothing better in the world than Scouting. My parents are very interested in the movement and are very pleased that I have joined the Scouts. I hope that other boys, like myself, who entertain an antipathy against the movement, will see the folly of it and enrol at once in the world-wide brotherhood of Scouts.

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As is well known, the "Overland" is the only weekly news budget of Hong Kong which carries illustrations. The current number is a bumper one, even when the atmosphere of the Courts is left out of consideration. Because many events have occurred which concern not only residents of Hong Kong, but former residents, those on leave and friends in other parts of the world.

Details of the Sessions are still fresh so that there is no necessity to stress them. It will be sufficient to state that some of the subject matter is unique. But there is an abundance of "local" and "China" news as well.

It has been a busy week locally, in more directions than one—a factor which makes for an increasing ratio of reading matter. There is bound to be something that will capture the imagination of folks in the Old Country. Take, for instance, the messages about the murder of the European Bishop and priests in the interior of China. Again, an epidemic of smuggling appears to have broken out once more in Hong Kong. And there are pages and pages of news about persons and personalities, in contradistinction to reports of ordinary events. In the realm of sports also, the "Overland" has the best to offer.

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In Torres Strait

HOW THE GIRL GUIDE MOVEMENT SPREAD

MONOTONOUS LIFE

It is only about two years since guiding was first introduced into Torres Strait and already there are three companies in existence. Miss Prior, a qualified teacher in charge of the native school at St. Paul's Anglican Mission station on Moa Island, was the first to commence guiding in the Strait, and since then companies have been started at Badu Island and at Pold, on Moa Island. The tropical climate is not one well suited for work which requires much physical exertion. In the north-west days when the weather is hot and steamy, thinking about work almost brings out a perspiration, and even in the south-east season, when there is plenty of breeze to cool the atmosphere, it takes very little exertion to make one feel languid and limp. The ladies in whose charge lies the training of the girls in the world-wide game of guiding have bravely stuck to their task in spite of trying conditions, and today the command are a credit to their zeal and energy.

How They Live

The life of a growing girl who has left school is really monotonous. There is not much to occupy her time. No daily routine of household work. No houses of five or six rooms with numerous articles of furniture, which might provide daily jobs that would occupy a good deal of time. The common form of bed is a mat on the floor, and two minutes suffices to take it out, side and shake it, and replace ready for the night. Cakes and all those fancy dainties which make their appearance on our tables are an unknown quantity.

Guiding Introduced

In the wet months there is gardening, but when the rains stop the gardening stops also. There are little in each week when there is little to do besides providing the meals, and the time is mostly passed in conversation.

Guiding has been introduced more especially for the girl who has left school. It aims at raising her standard of living, and giving her something to occupy her time and thoughts, and it has succeeded remarkably well. It has given the girl a pride in herself and there is marked improvement in the girls generally where these companies have been started.

Until the girls leave school they are daily under the immediate influence of the Government teachers, but after leaving school they are to some extent lost touch with, and the guide movement provides an organisation in which the good influence of a white person can be kept up. The teachers and superintendents have played an important part in encouraging the girls, and have done all in their power to further the movement.

Something Worth Seeing

A parade of the girls is something worth seeing. Their neatness of dress and the manner of conduct are worthy of much praise. Their uniforms are of navy blue, with a tie of the distinguishing colour of the company. They wear no hats, but their jet black fuzzy hair gives them a very attractive appearance. It is usual for them to form guards of honour at weddings, etc., and as a welcome to any important visitors.

Money is a rather scarce commodity at times, and the means the girls employed to earn money showed the keenness they have for the work. They brought along everything that they could sell. Those who had garden produce—bananas, pineapples, sweet potatoes, etc.—brought some; those who had fowls brought one or two along. Seven of the leaders of one company went away for a little week-end camp and caught a turtle. The shell was sold and realized quite a few shillings.

The general funds of the companies are mostly maintained by the sale of bottles and flour bags. Bottles realise the sum of a half-penny each and bags 1½d; and the girls are not too proud to walk into the store with half a dozen bottles and a couple of bags, and collect their money for guides.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS

Hong Kong,
September 20th, 1929.

Stock	Closing Quotations 4 p.m. Friday, 20th.	Rise or Fall over Week	Approximate yield per cent. on present quotations based on last year's dividend	Capital	Number of Shares	Value	Paid up	Reserve	Carried Forward	Date	Last Dividend	When Paid
Banks												
H.K. & Shanghai Banking Corp. (London)	\$1.20 buyers \$1.235/40 ss \$1.31 nominal	+ \$5.40	6% %	\$20,000,000	160,000	\$125	\$125	\$6,000,000 \$14,000,000	\$3,397,812	31.12.28	Int. div. of \$3 at 1/11% = \$31.13 per share for 1929	Aug. 6, 1929.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China	\$1.15 buyers			\$3,000,000	600,000	\$5	\$5	\$4,000,000	\$186,656	31.12.28	Interim div. of 14% p.a.	Pending
Mercantile Bank of India, Australia & China	\$1.15 nominal			\$1,800,000	60,000	\$25	\$12 1/2	\$1,450,000	\$162,046	31.12.28	Interim of 8% a/c. 1929	Pending
Bank of East Asia, Ltd.	\$90% nominal		8% %	\$10,000,000	120,000	\$100	\$100	\$1,500,000	\$491,749	31.12.28	Dividend of \$6 for 1928 and bonus \$2 making \$8 for 1928	Feb. 18, 1929
Marine Insurance Co., Ltd.	\$632 b. \$640 ss		6 1/4 %	\$2,500,000	10,000	\$250	\$100	\$1,041,235 \$1,621,770 \$2,381,561	\$1,557,848	31.12.28	Final of \$22 making \$40 for 1927. Int. of \$18 for 1928	May 28, 1929
Union Ins. Co. of Canton, Ltd.	\$346 buyers		6 %	\$2,000,000	210,000	\$10	\$4	\$359,500 \$303,125 \$2,314,291 \$512,819 \$200,000 \$447,850 \$150,000	\$254,179	31.12.28	Final of 16/- for 1927. Interim of 24/- a/c. 1928	May 24, 1929
Yangtze Ins. Assoc., Ltd.	M. \$50 nominal		6 %	\$2,500,000	150,000	\$10	\$10				Dividend \$3 1/2 for 1928	June 28, 1929
China Underwriters, Ltd.	\$200 nominal	- \$0.10		\$5,000,000	500,000	\$10	\$3	\$152,592 \$4,224	Dr. \$31,463	31.12.28	none	
Fire Insurance												
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$310 buyers	+ \$5.00	6 %	\$2,000,000	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$759,762 \$1,000,000 \$759,875 \$1,089,690 \$2,452,412 \$1,092,162 \$200,000	\$507,311	31.12.28	\$9 and bonus \$6 for 1927 and Interim \$8 for 1928	May 24, 1929
H'kong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$755 b. \$760 ss		5 1/2 %	\$2,000,000	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$2,300,000 \$1,789,836 \$512,071 \$100,000	\$675,329	31.12.28	\$43 for 1927	Mar. 26, 1929
Shipping												
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$27 1/2 nominal			\$1,000,000	20,000	\$50	\$50	\$136,436 \$180,074	Nil	31.12.28	Div. of \$4 for 1924	Mar. 28, 1925
H'kong, C. & M. S. B. Co., Ltd.	\$25 b. \$25 1/2 ss		4 %	\$1,200,000	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$50,000 \$1,542 \$365,331 \$438,861	\$36,500	31.12.28	Dividend of \$1 for 1928	Feb. 18, 1929
Indo China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	\$46 sellers \$70 sellers	+ \$0.10		\$1,200,000	120,000	\$5	\$5	\$135,000 \$200,215 \$260,898 \$384,077 \$280,178 \$127,917	\$16,113	31.12.28	Div. of 12/- at ex. 2/04 = \$5.84 a/c. 1924 and 1925 on preferred shares. Div. of 30/- at ex. 2/6 1/2 = \$11.90 on deferred shares a/c. 1921	June 19, 1929 May 24, 1928
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	\$87 buyers		5 1/2 %	\$800,000	80,000	\$10	\$10	\$100,000 \$160,000 \$36,712	\$40,038	31.12.28	Div. \$2 and bonus \$1 1/2 making \$3 1/2 for 1928	Feb. 15, 1929
Refineries												
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$955 sellers			\$2,000,000	80,000	\$25	\$25	\$244,000	nil	31.12.28	(In Liquidation) P. 3 a/c. 1928	April 11, 1929
Malayan Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$27 nominal			\$2,000,000	20,000	\$100	\$100				Int. of 2/- Free Income Tax for year ending 30-6-29 (Coupon No. 34)	May 16, 1929
Oil and Mining												
Kailash Mining Administration	62 1/2 nominal	- 2/8	7 %	\$2,000,000	250,000	\$8	\$8				T. 0.50 for year 31-10-27	April 5, 1928
Maatschappij tot Exploitatie van Langkat-Singel	Tls. 15% b. & a. Tls. 9% nominal			Tls. 1,325,000	250,000	Glds. 10	all	Tls. 158,168	Cr. Tls. 45,998	31.10.28	T. 0.50 for year 31-10-27	April 5, 1928
Do. Exploration & Development	Tls. 1 1/2 b. & a. Tls. 4% nominal			Tls. 3,000,000	600,000	Tls. 5		Tls. 496,213	Dr. Tls. 496,213	31.12.28	T. 75 cts. for 1928	Feb. 15, 1927
Do. Loan and Investment	Tls. 4% nominal			Tls. 1,250,000	250,000	Tls. 5		Tls. 550,000	Cr. Tls. 16,091	31.12.28	Final Div. of 1/6 per share making 2/6 for year	Aug. 10, 1929
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	\$9 1/2 buyers	+ \$1.50	15 1/2 %	\$200,000	200,000	\$1	\$1	\$10,000	\$7,321	31.3.29	Final Div. of 3/- Free Income Tax making 5/- for 1928 (Coupon No. 54)	July 5, 1929
Shell P'ort & Trading Co., Ltd.	100/- nominal		5 %	\$43,000,000	110,000	\$10	\$10	\$5,354,165	\$237,604	31.12.28	Div. \$6 and bonus \$2 making \$8 for 1928	Mar. 7, 1929
H'kong & K. W. & G. Co., Ltd.	\$136 b. & ss	+ \$1.00	6 1/2 %	\$4,000,000	80,000	\$50	\$50	\$400,000	\$360,063	31.12.28	Final div. of \$2 making \$4 for 1924	Mar. 31, 1925
H.K. & W. Dock Co., Ltd.	\$32 1/2 nominal			\$10,000,000	200,000	\$50	\$50	\$1,250,000	\$131,381	31.12.28	Dividend of \$2 making \$4 for 1924	Mar. 31, 1925
S'hai Dock & Eng. Co., Ltd.	Tls. 145 buyers	- T. 1.50	6 1/2 %	Tls. 4,177,500	55,700	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 750,000	Tls. 90,219	30.4.28	Div. of \$2 making \$4 for 1924	Aug. 16, 1929
New Engineering & Shipbuilding Works, Ltd.	Tls. 8 1/2 buyers Tls. 4.75 buyers	+ T. 0.50	5 1/2 %	Tls. 5,000,000	500,000	Tls. 5	Tls. 5	Tls. 600,000 Tls. 745,612 Tls. 200,000	Tls. 54,379	31.12.28	Tl. 0.40 for 1928 Div. 8% on Preference shares	Mar. 15, 1929
S'hai & H'kew Wharf Co., Ltd.	Tls. 181 nominal		6 1/2 %	Tls. 4,000,000	40,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 685,883 Tls. 120,416 Tls. 450,000 Tls. 75,000 Tls. 675,000	Tls. 17,825	31.12.28	Interim of Tls. 3 a/c. 1929	Sept. 12, 1929
Lands, Hotels & Buildings												
H'kong & Shanghai Hotels, Ltd.	\$935 b. \$936/45 ss			\$10,000,000	1,000,000	\$10	\$10	\$6,518,349	\$175,510	31.12.28	Final div. of \$0.50 on Old and New shares for year ending 31.12.24	April 8, 1925
H'kong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	\$61 1/2 b. \$61 1/4 s. & ss		6 1/2 %	\$6,000,000	240,000	\$25	\$25	\$7,000,000 \$250,000 \$50,000	\$385,378	31.12.28	Int. div. of \$2 for 1929	Aug. 2, 1929
H'phye Estate & F. Co., Ltd.	\$14.10 buyers	+ \$0.30	7 1/2 %	\$1,500,000	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$50,000 \$450,000 \$60,000 \$22,683	\$68,728	31.12.28	Div. 80 cents and bonus 20 cents making \$1 for 1928	Feb. 8, 1929
S'hai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	Tls. 160 nominal		6 %	Tls. 5,850,000	117,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 2,034,010 Tls. 500,000	Tls. 602,303.17	31.12.28	Interim of Tls. 3 a/c. 1929	July 31, 1929
H.K. Realty & Trust Co., Ltd.	\$7.85 buyers	+ \$0.10	7 1/2 %	\$2,000,000	200,000	\$10	\$10	\$200,000	\$11,057	31.12.28	Interim of 30 cents a/c. 1929	Aug. 12, 1929
Cotton Mills												
Erwo Cotton Mills, Ltd.	Tls. 21 1/2 b. Tls. 21.60 ss Tls. 106 nominal	+ T. 0.25	4 1/2 %	Tls. 5,000,000	1,000,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 2,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 204,760 Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 380,000 Tls. 450,000 Tls. 150,000	Tls. 4,050	31.12.28	Interim div. of T. 0.40 a/c. 1929	Aug. 23, 1929
Shanghai Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	(Old) Tls. 100 b. (New) Tls. 70 n.		5 1/2 %	Tls. 4,000,000	80,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 450,000	Tls. 152,900	30.4.29	Div. of Tls. 2 for Old. Tl. 1 for New for half year ending 30.4.29	May 30, 1929
Do.	Tls. 12 1/2 nominal		4 1/2 %	Tls. 2,000,000	40,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 25	Tls. 450,000			Tl. 0.60 for years 1925/1926	Oct. 7, 1925
Zoong Sing Cotton Mills, Ltd.	Tls. 12 1/2 nominal			Tls. 2,000,000	200,000	Tls. 10	Tls. 10				Int. dividend 25 cents account 1922	May 6, 1929
Miscellaneous												
China Light & Power Co., Ltd. (Old)	\$13.05 b. \$13.15 ss		4 %	\$3,600,000	720,000	\$5	all	\$119,418	\$54,262	30.9.28	Fin. div. of 80 cts. on Old. 77 cts. on Bonus and 15 cts. on New shares for year ending 31.12.24	April 27, 1925
Do. (New)	\$12 1/2 buyers \$17.0 b. \$14 s. & ss			\$3,000,000	600,000	\$5	all	\$685,603	\$68,040	31.12.28	Div. of \$1.25 for 1928	Mar. 4, 1929
China Prov. L. & M. Co., Ltd.	\$19.50 nominal	+ \$0.50		\$1,500,000	200,000	\$7 1/2	\$7 1/2	\$50,000 \$200,000 \$110,000	\$25,286	31.12.28	Div. of 80 cts. on Old shares and 10.66 cts. on New shares for 1925	Mar. 17, 1926
Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold Storage Co., Ltd.	\$19.50 nominal			\$1,500,000	200,000	\$7 1/2	\$7 1/2	\$50,000 \$200,000 \$110,000	\$25,286	31.12.28	Div. of \$2.50 on Old and \$1.25 New shares for year ended 31.12.28	Mar. 22, 1929
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd. (Comb.)	\$40/45 ss \$35 b. 3 1/2 s \$7.70 buyers	+ \$0.20	6 1/2 %	\$3,000,000	400,000	\$7 1/2	\$7 1/2	\$400,000 \$500,000	\$9,902	31.12.28	Div. of 80 cts. on Old shares and 10.66 cts. on New shares for 1925	Mar. 17, 1926
Do. (Old)	\$32 b. \$32 1/4 s		4 1/2 %	\$4,500,000	450,000	\$10	\$10	\$2,800,000	\$97,131	31.12.28	Fin. div. of 85 cts. on Old 82 cts. on Bonus, 13 cts. on New shares for year ending 31.12.24	Feb. 26, 1925
Do. (New)	\$32/62.15 ss	- \$0.25		\$4,500,000	450,000	\$10	\$10	\$2,800,000	\$97,131	31.12.28	Interim of 50 cents a/c. 1929	Aug. 27, 1929
Hong Kong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$18.10 b. \$18.35 ss \$18.10 ss		7 1/2 %	\$5,250,000	550,000	\$5	\$5	\$100,000	\$245,789	31.12.28	10% for year ended 30.4.29	June 7, 1929
Hong Kong Rope Mfg. Co., Ltd.	\$7.35 buyers			\$2,000,000	200,000	\$10	\$10	\$10,000	\$101,726	31.12.28	Div. of \$1.25 and bonus 25 cents per share a/c. 1928	Jan. 31, 1929
Hong Kong Tramways, Ltd.	\$18.10 b. \$18.35 ss \$18.10 ss		8 %	\$750,000	25,000	\$10	\$10	\$150,000 \$26,958	\$13,615	30.4.29	Div. of \$0.60 for year ended 31.10.28	Mar. 28, 1929
Peak Tramway Co., Ltd. (Old)	\$11.80 nominal		8 %	\$750,000	25,000	\$10	\$10	\$150,000 \$26,958	\$13,615	30.4.29	Div. of 25 cents for 1928	June 10, 1929
Do. (New)	\$10.5 nominal			\$750,000	25,000	\$10	\$10	\$150,000 \$26,958	\$13,615	30.4.29	Div. 30 cts. for year ending 28.2.28	April 24, 1926
Union Waterboat Co., Ltd.	\$22 sellers		7 %	\$350,000	50,000	\$7	\$7	\$45,000 \$9,732 \$17,969 \$64,425	\$5,281	31.12.28	Div. of \$1.25 and bonus 25 cents per share a/c. 1928	Jan. 31, 1929
Watson (A. S.) & Co., Ltd.	\$11.90 buyers	+ \$0.10	6 1/2 %	\$1,200,000	120,000	\$10	\$10	\$600,000	\$62,044	31.10.27	Div. of 25 cents for 1928	Mar. 28, 1929
William Powell, Limited	\$1 1/2 sellers		8 %	\$400,000	40,000	\$2	\$2	\$10,000	\$5,360	28.2.29	Div. 30 cts. for year ending 28.2.28	April 24, 1926
Lease, Crawford, Ltd.	\$1 1/2 nominal			\$400,000	40,000	\$10	\$10	\$20,000	\$5,360	31.7.28	Div. of 25 cents for 1928	Mar. 28, 1929
H.K. & C. On Ice Mfg. Co., Ltd.	\$1 1/2 nominal			\$400,000	40,000	\$10	\$10	\$20,000	\$5,360	31.7.28	Div. of 25 cents for 1928	Mar. 28, 1929
H.K. Eng. & Cons. Co., Ltd.	\$1.40 sellers		5 %	\$1,000,000	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$100,000	\$52,576	31.12.28	Dividend of 6% for 1928	Feb. 21, 1929
China General Omnibus Co., Ltd.	Tls. 15 buyers		8 1/2 %	\$200,000	20,000	\$10	\$10	\$175,011	Tls. 13,838	31.3.28	\$2 1/2 on Preferred, & \$1 1/2 on Deferred	July 24, 1929
Hong Kong Amusements, Ltd.	\$25 sellers		3 %	\$5,000,000	500,000	\$10	\$10	\$111,362 \$175,000 \$209,040	\$29,385	31.12.28	Interim of 4% a/c. 1929	Sept. 18, 1929
Hong Kong Telephone Co., Ltd.	\$1 b. x. Div.			\$400,000	40,000	\$10	\$10	\$16,404	\$2,530	30.9.28	5% on Preference shares subject to Income Tax	Feb. 6, 1929
Singapore Traction Co., Ltd. (Ord.)	11/- sellers			\$400,000	40,000	\$10	\$10	\$16,404	\$2,530	28.2.29	\$4 for year ending 28.2.29	June 5, 1929
Do. (Pref.)	20/- buyers			\$400,000	40,000	\$10	\$10	\$16,404	\$2,530	28.2.29	First year	
China Estates, Ltd.	\$8 sellers			\$1,650,000	16,500	\$100	\$100	\$155,500	\$345,455			
Cable & Macgregor & Co., Ltd. (Ord.)	Tls. 11 buyers		4 %	Tls. 3,000,000	30,000	Tls. 10	Tls. 10					

a. Building Reserve Account.
 b. Investment Fluctuation Account.
 c. Depreciation Fund.
 d. Equalization of Dividend Fund.
 e. Exchange and Investment Fluctuation Account.
 f. Gold Reserve Fund.
 g. Insurance Fund.
 h. Reinsurance Fund.
 i. Contingency Liability Account.
 j. Special Reserve Fund.

k. Underwriting Account.
 l. Legal Reserve Fund.
 m. Repairs and Renewals Account.
 n. Silver Reserve Fund.
 o. Underwriting Suspense Account.
 p. Special Reserve Fund.
 q. Share Fluctuation Account.
 r. Extra Reserve Fund.
 s. Capital Reserve Fund.
 t. Reserve for New Plant.

1) First issue of 120,000 of which 70,411 unallotted.
 2) 20,000 shares unissued.
 3) 265,000 shares issued.
 4) 800 shares unissued.
 5) 22,277 shares unissued.
 6) Typhoon and Floods Insurance Fund.
 7) 205,643 share unissued.
 8) 18,987,607 shares issued.
 9) 123 shares unissued.
 10) 5,000,000 shares issued.
 11) 50,000 shares unissued.

12) Cotton Fluctuation Account.
 13) 150,000 shares unissued.
 14) 100,000 shares unissued.
 15) 240,534 shares issued.
 16) 290,000 shares issued.
 17) 50,000 shares unissued.
 18) 1,000 shares unissued.
 19) 2,749 shares unissued.
 20) 65,000 shares unissued.
 21) 25,000 shares unissued.
 22) 600,000 shares unissued.

23) 4,000 shares unissued.
 24) 67,640 shares issued.
 25) 290,000 shares unissued.
 26) 200,000 shares unissued.
 27) 79,300 shares issued.
 28) 10,422 shares unissued.
 29) 140,000 shares fully paid.
 30) 34,701 unissued.
 31) 4,500 shares unissued.
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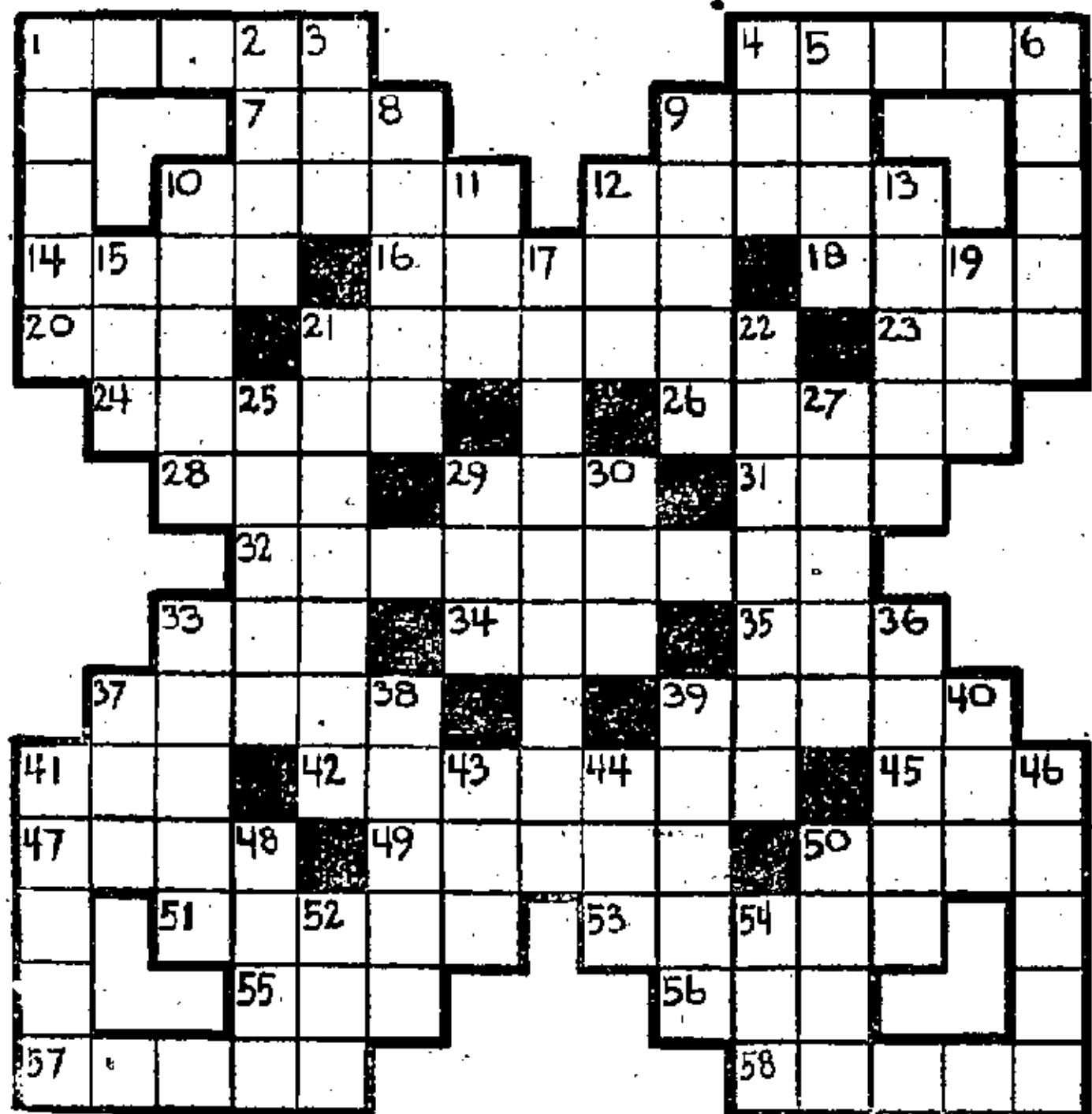
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but
our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic
spellings, such as harbor, glow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Steel
- 4-Vocal sounds
- 7-In a free, open manner
- 8-Cushion
- 10-Weapon
- 12-Programs
- 14-Satisfy
- 16-Permitting to the foot
- 18-Foot covering
- 20-Bond
- 21-Regarded with fear and respect
- 23-Corridor
- 24-Speedy horse
- 26-Shut out
- 28-Floor-scrubber
- 29-Taste
- 31-Distant
- 32-Retrieved
- 33-Chest-piece
- 34-Saturated with liquid
- 35-Era
- 37-Departs suddenly
- 39-Place of another person or thing
- 41-Imprison
- 42-Sharp shrill cries

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 45-Content
- 47-Ship's company
- 48-Crest of a roof
- 50-Sharp
- 51-Raw herbs dressed with vinegar, oil, etc.
- 53-Fertile spot in soil
- 55-Short sleep
- 56-Flow
- 57-Covered with fine rock-particles
- 58-Pitiful

VERTICAL

- 1-Palm off shyly
- 2-Ecclesiastical vestment
- 3-Color
- 4-Conflict
- 5-An allowance by way of handicap
- 6-Repe attached to a sail
- 8-Small light
- 9-Grew wan
- 10-Vapor
- 11-Precise's title (abbr.)

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 12-Vehicle
- 13-Clip
- 15-Appearance
- 17-Saved
- 18-Propeller
- 21-Changes from past to present
- 22-Vanquishes
- 25-Marine skeleton formation
- 27-Token
- 28-Plant
- 29-Slight passion
- 33-Isle of
- 36-Overhanging roof edges
- 37-Tribunal
- 38-Sermon
- 39-Daub
- 40-Screw-cutting tool
- 41-Blemishes
- 43-Clear
- 44-In the past
- 46-Backslapping item
- 48-Blender rod
- 50-Poetic or archaic form of "cattle"
- 52-Simple song
- 53-Aggregate

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in
Monday's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

THE EASTERN EXTENSION
AUSTRALASIA & CHINA
TELEGRAPH CO., LTD.

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the E. E. Telegraph Co. office, Hong Kong:—
Anthony, Peninsular, from Shanghai.
Sherley, 6, Des Voeux Road, from London.
Stoecklin, Peninsular, from Singapore.
Thomson, Peninsular, from Singapore.

S. LACK,
Superintendent.
Hong Kong, 19th Sept., 1929.

THE GREAT NORTHERN
TELEGRAPH CO., LTD.
OF DENMARK

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the office of the Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited) of Denmark:—
Hike, from Shanghai.
Buckwhest, from Kobe.
Ramsay, from Yokohama.
E. V. JESSEN,
Superintendent.
Hong Kong, 19th Sept., 1929.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



OPIUM COMMISSION

Arrangements have been made for the League of Nations opium commission which will arrive in Singapore next month to hear the opinions of leading Chinese residents of Singapore if it so desires. Some time ago the Chinese Advisory Board, at the request of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs (Mr. A. M. Goodman), appointed a sub-committee to submit a list of Chinese gentlemen who would be prepared to give evidence before the commission if they were called upon to do so. As a result a list of nine names has been submitted, and it is understood that it is of an influential and representative character.

THE WORLD OF BOOKS

"MAIL" REVIEWS

VERSE AND PERVERSE

"Shakespeare's Sonnets Unmasked," by Bertram G. Theobald, B.A. (Cecil Palmer).

"Four Miles From Any Town," by David Gow (Cecil Palmer, 3/6d.).

"Joan of Arc," by Hilaire Belloc, (Cassel & Co., Ltd., 6/- net).

"How To Enjoy Birds," by Marcus Woodward (Hodder & Stoughton, 2/6 net).

"The Heartbreak Marriage," by Ruby M. Ayres (Hodder & Stoughton, 3/6d.).

This staunch adherent of the Baconian theory sets out to prove that "the village bumpkin from Stratford," called Shaksper, is but one of many "masks" adopted by Francis Bacon, "the only begetter of these ensuing sonnets," and that the true author's sign in cryptogram occurs more than once in the dedication and on every page of the sonnets themselves.

Bacon, he reasons, was in the earlier years of his career known to be a "secret poet" and playing with "toys of invention" (i.e. original writings) and he kept a secretarial staff and invented a system of shorthand; in fact he was extensively engaged in literary work for his public activity at the time was not sufficient to make such a staff necessary. Beyond the ten brief Essays of 1597, Bacon published nothing in his own name until the "Advancement of Learning" in 1605, but secretly, says Mr. Theobald, he was responsible for a vast and varied literary output under various pseudonyms; Greene, Peele, Marlowe, Shakespeare, and Edmund Spenser. He was obliged to remain anonymous or pseudonymous as poet and dramatist, because these pursuits were not for men of high birth in those days, and Bacon was ambitious. Moreover, if he were the legitimate son of Elizabeth and Leicester by a concealed marriage, as the author is inclined to believe, this was an additional reason for his secrecy. According to this book the theory of Bacon's royal birth is supported by the finding of the signature Francis Tudor in the cipher used in the sonnets.

In the sonnets the signatures are given in three simple numerical cipher systems used separately or in combination, and sometimes by numerical acrostics based on the same ciphers, and besides Bacon's own names those of the other authors whom he used as "masks" abound. In the Dedication alone, according to the author's readings, we have F. Bacon, Francis, W. Shakespeare, Edmund Spenser, Francis Bacon Knight, Francis Tudor, and Fra Rosierosio (for Bacon is here presumed to have been the head of the Rosierosio Fraternity). The sonnets contain the signatures Marlowe, Kyd, and Pattenham as well as those given above.

Mr. Theobald's statement of and arguments for his case are presented with great care and diligence. Line by line, letter by letter, he works through the sonnets by his system. His reasoning is clear and the labour involved in his task merits respect even from those to whom this kind of conjuring and logic makes no appeal. He scorns the "outworn" belief that Shakespeare really was Shakespeare and with a fine disregard of any evidence other than that of his cipher system, he apparently finds no difficulty in attributing to one man (although Bacon was a genius of tremendous intellectual power) works so various as those of the authors whose names were in his opinion used by Bacon as pseudonyms. To most of us that alone is a fatal objection to his theory. Bacon might conceivably have written the plays (but would Ben Jonson have attributed to him "small Latin and less Greek?") and even the sonnets, though those dark and passionate poems seem to accord ill with the temperament of the man who so revered the "dry light of reason," but it is inconceivable that one personality could have produced the sweet pastoralism of Greene and Peele, the thunder and tragic majesty of Marlowe (of all the masks most intellectually akin to Bacon), the horrors of Kyd, the Renaissance luxuriance and "soft grace" of the "Teares of the Muses," and, as Mr. Theobald boldly claims, the tortuous mind-twistings and quaintly-flavoured manner of "The Anatomie of Melancholie," besides being the acknowledged author of the terse, worldly-wise "Essays," the nobly classical "Advancement," and the stupendous "Novum Organum?"

If Bacon had written even the plays, surely he would have used the original classics and not borrowed with both hands from current translations. Apart from the internal evidence of style and matter (ignored or scorned by Mr. Theobald) the host of contemporary references in literary and other documents must make any student pause before accepting as incontrovertible evidence the most

ingenious of cryptograms and juggling with figures. However, those who enjoy literary puzzles will enjoy the book, and if it lends its readers to re-read and consider the sonnets, whether in agreement with the theory or not, those who do so will be grateful to its author for bringing them into closer touch with some of the world's loveliest and noblest writing, be its author William Shakespeare or Francis Bacon.

—M. B. W.

Mr. Gow's verse is smooth and facile, but more than this is needed to make a poem. The poet's task is to seize a moment of transcendent experience or vision and express its essence in words which convey that experience to the reader in a way so new and so vivid that he himself feels the same passion by reflection from the mind and spirit of its author. Mr. Gow's experiences and emotions are in the first place common to most of us and demand a finer art than his to give them new life. To take but one instance:—

Buds and blossoms—and fruits at last—
Winter comes, they are perished and past—
For ever the image lies and reigns—
The rose has, but its rose remains!

has been said, greatly, in the "Ode to the Nightingale" and "The Grecian Urn." In expressing poetical philosophy of life, more is wanted than pious sentiments, commonplace imagery, and easy rhyming.

The years elude us beyond our capture,
But, as we fill them with work well-planned,
We sow a sleep, and we reap a rapture,
And only the spirit may understand.

Many of these verses are descriptive of nature's varying moods and seasons and show the same faults; trite imagery, hackneyed epithet, and always the same irritating fluency. One is tempted to apply Dr. Johnson's remark on a greater artist, that anyone could write like this if he would but abandon his mind to it. In fairness, however, to the author it must be said that many readers, less critical perhaps, will find comfort for the spirit from the author's poetic philosophy, and pleasure for the ear in the smoothness of his lines.

—M. B.

Like a good many other books by Mr. Belloc this one is dull. Joan of Arc was a bad subject for Mr. Belloc to choose. He tells the story as though it were an account of a Roman Catholic venge from the west of Ireland in the 20th century. There is no estimate of the mentality which succumbs to "Voices," no analysis of their psychology; though of course if you swallow Joan of Arc's "Voices," you have Swedenborg, Mrs. Baker Eddy, Madame Blavatsky, Mrs. Besant, Madame Deguchet, and a host of others to stomach. Possibly, if an impartial judicial Board examined into the respective merits of all of these, Madame Blavatsky would come out on top. It is questionable whether the evidence is sufficient to reach a very satisfactory conclusion in the case of Joan of Arc.

Mr. Belloc throws the whole story outside the region of scientific history by treating it as a pure miracle. This may be the most advantageous process for him, for his education was evidently non-scientific and was completed before the days of the science of comparative religion. This in itself makes for dullness. As a consequence, the problems which make Joan of Arc interesting to an ordinary reader simply don't exist in this book. Nobody, for instance, in reading it would guess that there was far more paganism than Christianity in Joan of Arc. That she heard the voices "at the tree of the Fables," and first heard them at the initiation age (13 years); that she showed signs of following the Dianic cult; that her commander, Gilles de Rais, was a wizard and was later executed for this offence; are propositions not even discussed in this book.

Mr. Belloc is too good a Roman Catholic to see how much of paganism his Church has gradually absorbed, and how triumphant paganism may have been at length if tardily canonised in Joan of Arc as the line of least resistance. It seems a pity that Mr. Belloc never took a course in the study of comparative religion, though what effect a scientific training would have had on an uncritical mind such as his is difficult to say. Perhaps he would have become a follower of Karl Marx.

The most interesting books by Mr. Belloc are those, like "Europe and the Faith," where he throws common sense to the winds and rides his hobby to the precipice. This book never rises to such heights. There is not even a hint that Joan of Arc was possibly a solar myth or a reincarnation of the Witch of Endor.

This is a chatty little book on home birds and their haunts which might naturally attract young people, already addicted to outdoor life, to pay attention to the habits of birds and to watch them in their haunts. The birds mentioned are British birds and are not to be seen in the Colony; indeed only about six birds mentioned in the book would ever be seen out here, but the characteristics and habits of some of the home birds apply equally to some of their Eastern relatives.

We confess we were surprised to find the Kingfishers put down as "pugnacious by disposition." There are very few groups commoner here than the four different kinds of Kingfisher but we have never seen one Kingfisher fighting with another of its own or a kindred species. Mr. Woodward mentions that the Kingfisher of home forsakes the river for the sea coast in winter. This remark only applies to the smallest of the Kingfishers locally (*Alcedo bengalensis*), and it seems to have a puritany for the sea coast at all times of the year. The book is illustrated by a number of plates of birds.

Miss Ruby Ayres' newest work will no doubt add to her well-established popularity. It tells the old, old story of the innocent girl caught in suspicious circumstances in a man's flat at midnight, of her seduction by an attractive but selfish and worthless lover who believes her guilty of theft and of faithlessness, and of her marriage in a moment of despair to the faithful and loyal lover whom she has never regarded as a possible husband. The unravelling of the plot and the ultimate happiness of the "heartbreak marriage" will be obvious to the average reader. The novel has, artistically, nothing to recommend it but it will appeal to the uncritical and to those who care for admirable sentiments well-dressed in sentimentality.

CANADA v. U.S.A.

CANDID BUT WELCOME BOOK

Ordinarily one hears little of the relations between Canada and the United States beyond an occasional congratulatory reference to the hundred years of peace prevailing between the two adjacent countries on whose borders there is not a fortress nor even a gun. It is only when a new tariff or some other troublesome issue arises that any consideration is given to the mutual attitude of Americans and Canadians, and that people realise the delicacy of some of the problems involved in the maintenance of cordial feeling on both sides. It is impossible to have a clear understanding of the present situation without a sound knowledge of past history.

This necessary background has recently been supplied by a Canadian writer, Dr. Hugh L. Kenleyside, in a volume entitled "Canada and the United States." This is a candid and plain-spoken book, which will do good service in clearing away the veneer of conventional sentimentalism which has too often prevented the general public from appreciating the actual difficulties that practical politicians have to face.

Dr. Kenleyside shows that we are under a false impression if we suppose that the preservation of peace for so long a period has been a simple and easy matter. One feels, rather, that it is almost miraculous. There have been so many occasions when mutual suspicions and conflicting aims aroused feelings that might have been expected to result in a

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One is glad to learn that, in Dr. Kenleyside's opinion, there is less prospect of strife between the Dominion and the Republic to-day than at any previous period of their history.

BOOK "JACKETS"

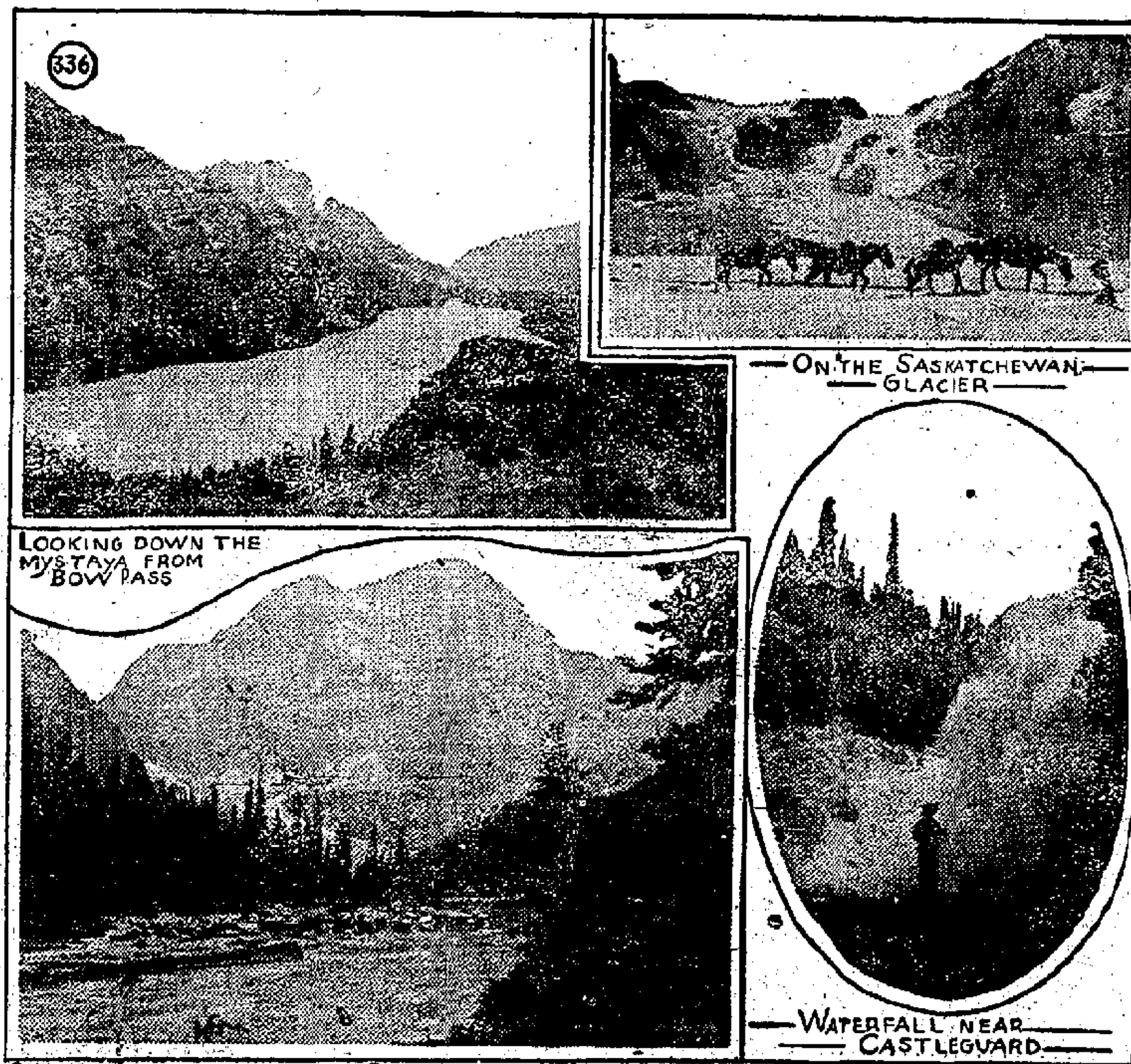
PROBLEMS OF THE PUBLISHER

One of the problems of the modern publisher has to do not with the book itself but with what is technically known as its "jacket": the paper wrapper which was originally introduced to protect it from being soiled by exposure on the bookstalls or by the necessary handling it undergoes from prospective purchasers in the booksellers' shops. The plain jacket has nowadays developed into a mere dust cover of a quite plain type to a valuable means of advertisement, which in some instances contributes largely to the rapidity of sales by making all the difference to the choice of a book by the customer. It usually carries a publisher's "blurb," or brief notice ex-

tolling the merits of the book and giving some idea of what it is about, and frequently an attractive and appropriate illustration also. Artists of repute are often commissioned to produce designs for the jackets of new novels, so that the cost of these ornamental wrappers now becomes a substantial item in the annual expenditure of many publishers. Mr. Arnold Bennett stated the other day that he had not heard of anyone making a collection of book jackets, but as a matter of fact there are not a few collectors who specialise in this variety of literary curio.

A sign of the times is a correspondence in the "Publishers' Circular," in which some booksellers complain that certain publishers are not as careful as they should be to provide jackets that will wear well and not show dirt. It is a mistake, for instance, to use white jackets, which show the least speck of dust and soon make the stock look soiled. A recent tendency is to use a cellulose paper, which has the advantage of not being quickly soiled and of showing the actual cover of the book itself, but labour under the drawbacks of tearing easily and of getting out of place in a moment. These difficulties seem to have been overcome by one ingenious London publisher, who has devised a cellophane wrapper with turn-over ends of stiff paper.

Riding on the Roof of the Rockies



SHADOW LAKE UNDER THE SHADOW OF MT. BALL

Among the most spectacular of Trail Rides ever attempted in the Canadian Rockies was the one proposed to start on August 8 and lasting 18 days, to take in a long distance ride to the Columbia Icefield from Lake Louise. This icefield is the largest body of glacial ice left on the North American continent covering 150 square miles and surrounded by peaks from ten to twelve thousand feet in height. The ride was from Louise up the Bow Pass and by the Mistaya Valley

SHADOW OF MT. BALL

past Waterfowl Lake to the North Saskatchewan River, then up the Alexandra River Valley to Castleburg and the Columbia Icefields. Only Trail Riders holding at least the silver button, emblematic of completion of 100 miles of trial riding, were permitted to join the expedition, since all taking part had to satisfy the committee that they would not prove a burden to the rest of the party.

For less experienced Trail Riders, or those who could not spare the

time, there was a four-day ride starting from Banff on August 1 and ending at Castle Mountain Bungalow Camp. It took in the Egypt Lake district, which was accessible for the first time this summer, so that those participating in this ride may regard themselves as pioneers. Beautiful Shadow Lake under Mount Ball was the camp site of the riders on the second day out and, in all, seven glacial lakes were on the route of the trail.

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For	Per
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21.	
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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23.	
Shanghai and Japan	Yokohama Maru 8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea 2.30 p.m.
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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24.	
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MURDER MYSTERY

IDENTITY OF WOMAN NOT ESTABLISHED

MAN'S SON MISSING

In connection with the double murder in the New Territories, reported yesterday, very little additional information has come through to Police Headquarters. Kong Nga Chau, where the tragedy was enacted is on the outskirts of Pak Mong village in Lamtau, which district is under the charge of the Police at Tai-O where Sergeant Hallam is the European Police Officer in charge. The identity of the murdered woman, aged about 46, has not yet been established. The other victim, the man Tse Ling (50), is apparently of no fixed occupation. He and the woman are believed to have lived in a hut at Kong Nga Chau outside the door of which their murdered bodies were found. The locality is very isolated and seldom visited by people living in the district, so that little is known of the murdered people's doings or what was their relationship.

Discovery of Tragedy

The tragedy was first discovered by a farmer living in the village 2½ miles away. What he was doing in the vicinity early in the morning (3.25 a.m.) is not clear, but he immediately reported his discovery to the Police, who on arrival found that the murdered man and woman both had chopper wounds on the face and neck, and they appeared to have been dead nearly a day before their bodies were discovered.

The interior of the hut was in a topsy-turvy condition and several boxes appear to have been forced open, but it is impossible to say if anything had been stolen as the only person who can throw light on the matter is the dead man's son, who cannot be found.

He is the 20-year-old youth described as "Tau Pei Chai" (Pock-marked Lad) in the earlier report. This youth was last seen in Tung-chung on Wednesday and has disappeared since.

ROYAL ASSENT

His Excellency the Governor has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King, to the following Ordinances passed by the Legislative Council:

Ordinance No. 13 of 1929.—An Ordinance to amend the Offences against the Person Ordinance, 1865.

Ordinance No. 14 of 1929.—An Ordinance to amend the law relating to accessories to and abettors of indictable offences.

His Majesty the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the following Ordinance:

Ordinance No. 15 of 1929.—An Ordinance to authorise the appropriation of a supplementary sum of \$292,104.79 to defray the charges of the year 1929.

AMERICA BOSS OF PACIFIC?

GERMAN VIEWS

INDUSTRIALISTS ECONOMIC PLANS FOR INDIA

GOOD WARES—LOW PRICES

Duesseldorf, Yesterday. Presiding at the tenth annual meeting of the Association of German Industrialists, Dr. Duisberg, describing his recent world tour, said that the economic centre of the world was slowly but surely shifting from the Atlantic to the Pacific, owing to the growth of American economic and financial power and the extension of the American sphere of interest in the Pacific and the rapid economic progress of Japan. He was astonished to notice the clear and far-sighted aims with which Americans in Asia were working. America had become the first power in the Pacific, and outdistanced England and Japan, thanks not only to the World War, but to the ability and energy of Americans, and pointed out that China and the Dutch Indies were good subjects for German trade activities. He exhorted German merchants and technicians to study India so that they would be able to increase Germany's share in the Indian market by the sale of good wares at low prices.—Reuter.

NAVAL FORCES

JAPAN ON THE CRUISER QUESTION

NEED OF SUBMARINES

The question of disarmament forms the subject of editorials in four of the leading newspapers, the general opinion expressed being that the Government should make adequate preparations for the probable early convening of a conference. The "Asahi" and "Hochi" are both concerned at the proposed allotment of first class status to America, and urge Japan to attempt to get this down, otherwise they are faced with the choice of accepting a too inferior position vis-a-vis America, or increasing their own tonnage, both of which alternatives are regarded as highly undesirable. "Nichi Nichi" supports the "Hochi" in opposing the abolition of submarines, and contends that for a country like Japan, they are invaluable as defensive weapons.

The "Kokumin" while extolling the "unexpected brilliancy" of Mr. MacDonald's Ministry and his diplomatic policy generally, questions whether their diplomacy is not aimed mainly at increasing the prestige of the Labour Party, rather than calculated to be for the good of the world.—Reuter.

SHARE MARKET

WEEKLY REFLECTIONS AND NOTES

THE NEXT BOOM?

My Dear Algy,

The boom in Shanghai continues to eclipse our Stock Market, and is providing somewhat of a sensation with its concomitant thrills and excitement. Cotton shares are the centre of attraction, and excitement reigned supreme when Eyos were "bumped" to Ts. 23½ on Wednesday and declined to Ts. 22 within twenty-four hours. This is remarkable when one considers that a little over six weeks ago they were priced around Ts. 14, and the near approach of September Settlement Day which, I hear, has reached enormous proportions. The cotton mills in Shanghai are reported to be earning large profits this year, and for this reason there are still many optimists who expect to see further improvement in cotton shares. However, I do hope that Hong Kongites will profit by their experience of the past and will not leave themselves open to be bitten again. By the way, shares in the Shanghai Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd., have passed the century mark to Ts. 100.

The activity in the Northern Port makes one wonder whether it will be long before we have a boom here. Thinking of the booms of the past one's attention is naturally turned to the stocks that have suffered most by the disastrous Boycott of 1925, such as Green Island Cements, Hong Kong Ropes, China Providents and Hong Kong Hotels, and wonder which one will be the first to provide us with a thrill. Some of these have suffered more than others; nevertheless, the business of all these Companies is steadily improving, and the time does not appear to be far distant when they will all be on a dividend-paying basis again. This is perhaps the reason that dealings in them are increasing daily.

It is possible that the first real thrill will be provided by Green Island Cements which in the good old days were often subjected to violent fluctuations. It is generally known that the demand for the product of this Company is far in excess of the quantity it is now manufacturing. To remedy this, thoroughly modern machinery has been ordered and will be installed as rapidly as possible across the harbour. Though the cost of modernizing the plant at Kowloon is expensive owing to the extensive nature of the whole scheme, yet on completion the Company will be able to meet the entire demand in the Colony as that from abroad for its popular product. Its profits will then increase by leaps and bounds with resultant benefits accruing to its shareholders. In the meantime there is a movement on foot to remove the present General Managers in order to save the fees and commissions payable to them. But opinion on this subject is divided, some shareholders preferring the business side of the Company to be in the hands of a firm of General Managers, while others are inclined to the view that the Company should be run on its own with its own office under the direct control of its Directors.

In my last letter I promised to give you more news about Hong Kong Electric. During the week these shares continued firm and steady at \$62. I gather that there are two reasons for their popularity, the first being that, at the request of a number of influential property owners and residents of Kowloon, the Company has lodged an application with the Government to extend its operations there by means of cables across the harbour, while the second is the expectation of a bonus issue some time next year in the proportion of one in every three which was foreshadowed a year ago.

During the week shares in the China Light & Power Co. have been fluctuating slightly due mainly to speculation caused by rumours that a section of shareholders are petitioning the Directors to effect an amalgamation with the Hong Kong Electric Co. It is strange how easily some persons get carried away on the sight of a petition of this nature without realising, first, its purpose and practicability; secondly, whether it will be carried by the Directors and the balance of shareholders; and thirdly, whether



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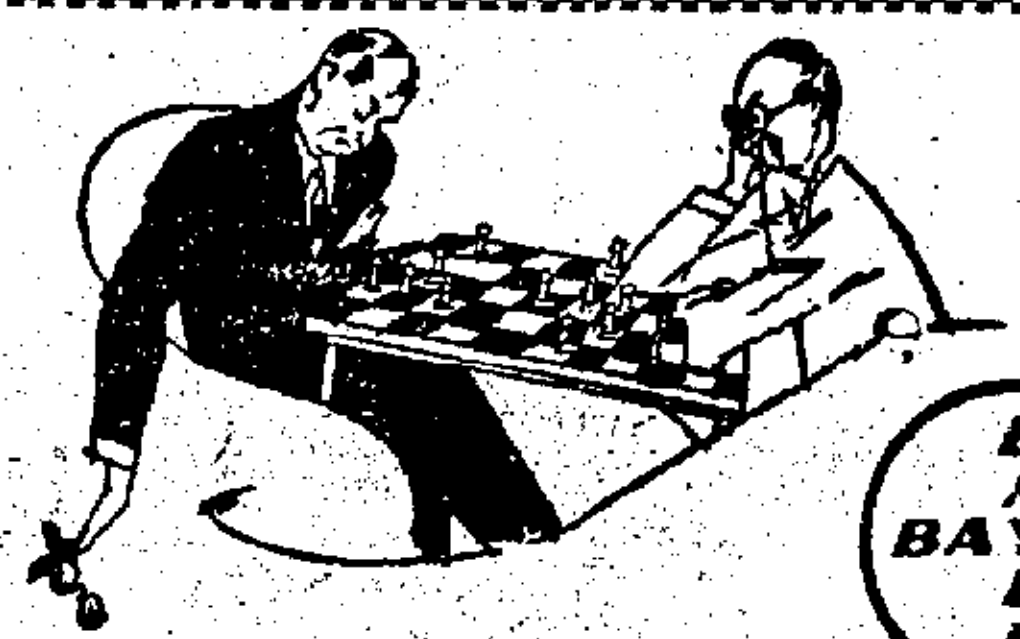
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the terms will be looked upon as fair and equitable to the third party. If speculators would only give more heed to points such as these the risk of a crash would be eliminated. I hear a fair quantity of shares have been dealt in for forward deliveries, and the price for cash has improved to \$18.10. There seems to be an abundance of money awaiting investment in what I may term the gift-edged investments of Hong Kong—Insurance shares and Hong Kong Banks. These are in constant

demand, particularly, Union Insurance of Canton, and I venture the opinion that if the exchange rate between Hong Kong and Shanghai were at a more reasonable level money from the Northern Port will find its way here for investment. The tael rate at present is phenomenal, about 86, and I am sure you have never seen it as high as this in the whole of your long residence here. You can well imagine its effect.

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